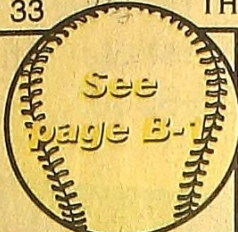




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Caller says storm debris left on streets in Norwayne

I'm looking at the Sunday paper and reading [in 'Sound Off'] about how the Westland workers supposedly cleaned up all the trees and debris so quickly.

If you're in Norwayne, you're ignored. There are trees down still to this day. They're down, they're dangerous, and I think it's abominable that people are giving cheers to Westland officials that helped in the cleanup. They didn't do a fantastic job. It hasn't been quick and prompt. If they had, then I wouldn't have been driving around Norwayne and seen the debris.

It's ridiculous what the people of Norwayne have to suffer through because they're poor. It's about time that changed.

Citizens have a duty to vote in primary elections

I'm calling into response to the person who claims that primary elections play into the hands of special interests.

It's true that very few people turn out to vote in primary elections, but we only have voter apathy to blame. If the voters would do their responsibility as citizens and exercise their right and obligation to vote, we wouldn't have to worry about the issue.

Gov. Engler accused of hurting working class people

I'm calling about the governor's race between Fieger and John Engler. I just want the people from Wayne and Westland to know that John Engler has done nothing for this state. He destroyed the education system, why don't know what he did with the road money, he did everything to hurt the working class people of this state.

I tell you right now that Geoffrey Fieger would make a fine governor. John Engler is a disgrace and he should be voted out in November. . . . He's the worst governor in fifty years. . . . He's only done a good job for his rich buddies. . . .

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Night Out's fun

Romulus Senior Citizen Center Director Linda Norman (center) jokes with area resident Margaret Maciejewski during the city's National Night Out's program last week. More than 300 senior citizens took part at several locations. Sylvia Dubisky is at the right. MCN Special Photo

Pool efforts advancing

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Twin efforts by the Romulus City Council and School Board trustees to devise a plan to create a major pool project are advancing, both Mayor William Oakley and Superintendent Dr. William Bedell revealed earlier this week.

While one of the recent joint meetings was cancelled because of a power outage at City Hall during the recent storm, last Thursday night's session was called positive by both sides.

The need for such a pool inside Romulus has been growing in recent months, as many officials are becoming aware the pool is needed for water safety programs for the young and old, health enhancement

and exercise sessions and a possible Romulus High swim team.

Several city and school officials feel strongly that the addition of a pool and enlarged recreation center would be keys to attracting new residents in coming years.

"If we don't....Romulus could become a vast warehouse and truck terminal location because of its closeness to Detroit Metro Airport," one observer said.

At the present time, Romulus residents (youth and adult) travel to Wayne when they want to engage in water sports and exercise programs.

It appears that the pool/recreation building issue will not appear on the November ballot - barring a sudden rash of actions.

Thus any citizen decision will probably be delayed until spring of 1999.

The next public meeting of the city-school officials is slated for 7:30 p.m. Aug. 20 in the Romulus City Council Chambers.

School officials revealed that committees to further research and develop a Romulus plan of action probably will occur that night.

One of the key issues on the table right now is how the city/school district would pay for such a recreation area. Plans are seeking to keep the cost to the city resident minimal or none at all. Thus it appears the major financial factors would be collected from area commercial and industrial businesses.

City changes audit companies

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The Romulus City Council, following the recommendation of Finance Director Debbie Hoffman, voted Monday night to hire the auditing company of Plante and Moran LLP although the firm was not the lowest bidder.

The council approved the change in companies for the year of 1998 with options for the years 1999 and 2000.

In her letter to Mayor William Oakley, Hoffman reported "I do not recommend a change in our auditors lightly."

She praised recent efforts by the current firm, Doyle, Litt, Kuras and Co., particularly while the city was going through personnel changes.

But Hoffman added "it has been several years since the city of Romulus has received a bid from a firm with the amount of governmental expertise as Plante and Moran LLP."

Hoffman said despite the fact their bid is substantially higher, she felt accepting the Plante and Moran LLP bid "provides the best value for the city."

She cited the fact the Plante and Moran firm lists clients of



Debbie Hoffman

115 municipalities and 19 district courts and provides a wide assortment of consultant services to its clients.

In addition, the city's audit time will be cut to about 30 days, where in the past it has taken as long as four months, Oakley told the council.

According to figures supplied to the City Council the difference in bids was almost \$7,000, with Doyle, Litt and Co.'s bid set at \$26,775 for this year, compared to Plante and Moran LLP's at \$33,650.

In other council actions, a bid of \$1,687 was accepted from B and L Automotive of Romulus for a new engine for the Recreation Department's

bus. It was the lowest of three bids.

City mechanics will install the motor, Department of Public Works Director David Paul revealed.

The council also approved the request that the bus have body and paint work done at a cost of \$2,650 by Expert Auto Repair Inc. of Romulus.

Youths hear 'Lion's roar'

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Over 65 youth from two Romulus neighborhoods were escorted by members of the Romulus Community Oriented Police Unit on Aug. 5 to the Detroit Lions training camp at Saginaw Valley State University.

The camp visit was arranged by Romulus Police Officer Mike Jones and partially funded by a grant from Eastern Michigan University and donations from local businesses.

Jones was assisted by eight other local police officials and two Police Explorers. The youth were made aware of the opportunity by staff members

Reno supports death penalty in 'ATM case'

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The long awaited decision on whether the prosecution will seek the death penalty in the murder case involving the shooting death of a former Romulus High School track star was announced by U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno earlier this week.

The murder case involves the killing of former Eagle track star Everisto Dwayne Bosley, 25, while he was working as an ATM technician early in the morning on Nov. 14, 1996 outside a Comerica bank in Farmington Hills.

Bosley, who was the father of two young children at the time of his death, was a track star at Romulus High School in the late 80's and was coached by Al Wilkerson.

Wilkerson was stunned two years ago when he learned of Bosley's killing. He said Bosley was the team's captain in his graduation year and "led his teammates by setting a fine example. He usually was the first to arrive at practice each day and the last team member to leave."

His family has remained active in the hunt for their son/brother's murderer and his sister, Brigitte, 19, revealed Monday that she harbored no pity for the man accused of her brother's death, Antonio McKelton.

She reacted strongly to Reno's statement by saying "he

should be put to death...an older brother to death."

Law enforcement officials found a gun in a get-away car used after one of these armed robberies and discovered it also was the weapon used to kill Bosley.

They then also found that McKelton's fingerprints were on the 9mm handgun, authorities reported.

Months later McKelton was charged with Bosley's murder and Farmington Police began the wait to learn if Reno would allow federal charges to include the death penalty.

Michigan is one of a dozen states that does not have a death penalty on state charges.

It was reported that three key factors entered into Reno's decision in this case. Ironically Reno had rejected death penalty requests in similar cases in past years - including a similar ATM murder case that occurred the same day as Bosley's.

The factors included: Bosley's excellent record as a U.S. Marine military police officer, the Bosley family's request for the death penalty and McKelton's prior police record.

McKelton's defense lawyers are expected to argue against the death penalty in the Bosley case.

The murder trial that had been scheduled for Aug. 3 has now been delayed until Jan. 12.

34th District Court gets anti-drug grant

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The 34th District Court located in Romulus and the local police will soon be receiving state grants effective Oct. 1.

"Statewide, these grants will focus on turning children away from drugs and violence," Gov. John Engler said Tuesday. "They will also support crucial law enforcement programs to aggressively crack down on drug dealers, who terrorize families and communities," he said.

The 34th District Court in Romulus will receive \$38,547 to help fund a Zero Tolerance Offender Drug Testing program for drug and alcohol test-

ing of defendants and probationers.

Romulus Police will receive \$28,228 for Community Policing Strategies to fund a full time school liaison officer for the middle and high school to prevent violence and improve the relationship between the school and surrounding community.

Wayne Police will get \$14,082 for Community Policing Strategies, to fund four officers for community policing who will work out of "Cop-Shops" in three areas in the local high school.

Western Wayne Narcotics, a multi-jurisdictional task force, will receive \$129,200 to interrupt the flow of narcotics and assets in transit.

of the Romulus Housing Commission and the Oakbrook Villa Townhouses -- sites of two Romulus Community Policing projects.

The police program is similar to one operated by the Detroit Police Athletic League. It is designed to present educational information to the youth, while giving them the opportunity to view positive role models and have that message reinforced through their contacts with those role models.

The Lions provided opportunities for the youth to meet with the players, view the practice session and obtain photos and information on some of the players.

In addition, Jones revealed

the Indian Trails Coach Service of Romulus donated a pair of 47 seat buses and drivers to transport the youth and police officers to the practice session.

While at the training camp, the youth were provided a free lunch courtesy of the Romulus IGA and fruit pies from the Tastee Bakery of Romulus.

Other assisting in the program were COP unit members: Sgt. Kreg Booker, Officers Joe Richardson, John Smagner, Terri Smagner, D.H. Smith, Rich Balzer, Anthony Norman and Rose Cooper.

Officer Jones can be reached for additional information through the COP unit 942-6871 from 3 to 11 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

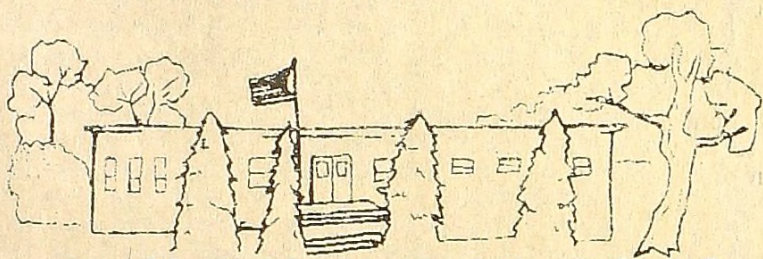
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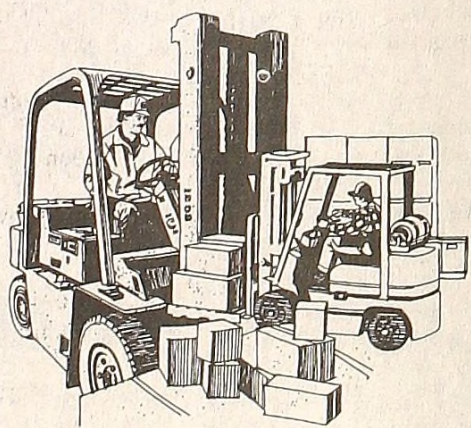
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Did mother kill newborn baby?

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Did a single-parent mother kill her newborn baby?

Wayne police believe so and have arrested and charged a 20-year-old local woman with manslaughter.

The defendant, Jessica Wood, surrendered to Wayne police last week after she learned that there was a warrant for her arrest on the manslaughter charge, according to Lt. Jack Garrett of the Wayne Police Department.

Wood was taken before out-county Wayne County Judge Gail McKnight and arraigned on the manslaughter charge. She pleaded not guilty to the charge, and Judge McKnight

released the defendant on a \$15,000 personal bond.

Wood was scheduled for a pretrial examination yesterday (Aug. 12) in the 29th District Court before Judge Carolyn A. Archbold.

Police began the investigation into the death of the newly-born when Annapolis Hospital officials notified the local department that an infant was conveyed to them by the defendant's relatives, and that they believed that the death of the infant was a homicide.

The Wayne County Medical Examiner's report on the death of the child also indicated that the child did not die of natural causes. The examiner ruled accidental death by

drowning.

"We were contacted by Annapolis (Hospital) and informed about this case and our officers conducted an investigation which led to the arrest of the defendant," Garrett noted.

Sgt. Kevin Karson was placed in charge of the investigation.

According to police reports, Wood told police that she did not think she was pregnant. The report further indicated that the defendant gave birth to the child in the bathroom, and the baby was apparently dropped by the mother into the toilet water where the infant drown, according to the police report.

The defendant then in-

formed her mother, who rushed into the bathroom and discovered the lifeless infant's body on the bathroom floor, according to the police report.

Police said the mother and daughter took the baby to Annapolis Hospital. The incident occurred on June 3.

Because of the sensitivity of the case, Garrett said that no further information about the investigation or the subsequent arrest would be made until the pretrial.

"There is a good chance that this case may be adjourned until the defense has ample time to review the evidence," Garrett added.

If convicted on the manslaughter charge, Wood could receive a sentence of up to 15 years in prison.

Canton Ice Cream Center wins playoffs

Canton Parks and Recreation Men's Softball playoffs were held July 31 - August 2 at Heritage Park. Twelve teams qualified for the season ending tournament which traditionally showcases some of the best softball action of the year.

This years champion Canton Ice Cream Center made its way through the double elimination tournament with an undefeated record of 4-0, including a nail-biter, come from behind victory to win late in the game 21-17 against 9 Jerks and a Squirt early in the tournament.

This tournament victory topped off an excellent season for Canton Ice Cream Center, which placed second, with a 11-4 record in the regular season, after losing a playoff game against Shark Club I to break a first place tie.

Enroute to their weekend playoff victory, Canton Ice Cream Centers also had victories over Shark Club 11-4, ASAP Machine 24-1, who they met again in the final game and won a 17-8 victory.

Tiff leads to altercation with police

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

It was a call to investigate a "domestic violence" incident and, before the investigation was completed, one Wayne police officer was conveyed to a local hospital and three Westland brothers were behind bars.

The injured officer, Patrolman Kenneth Spratke, was rushed to Annapolis Hospital where he was treated for a broken ankle and later released.

Taken into police custody were John Gossett, 24, of Westland and his two brothers Christopher, 23, and Charles, 31.

John Gossett was arrested and charged with attempting to elude and resisting a police officer and also for operating a vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.

The two brothers have been arraigned on charges of interfering with a police officer. The charge is a 90-day misdemeanor, if convicted.

All three brothers appeared before out-county Judge Gail McKnight, who also is a presiding judge of the 18th District Court in Westland.

Judge McKnight set bond for John Gossett at \$20,000, 10 percent, and the defendant was released pending his pretrial examination. The two brothers were also released until their examinations in the 29th District Court.

The incident stems from a domestic tiff that occurred Saturday evening in the 4300

block of Carnegie Street, on the city's south side.

According to Wayne police, John Gossett quarreled with a woman acquaintance and police were dispatched to the area to investigate. Although John Gossett was not at the scene when Patrolman Spratke and his partner, Stephanie Beech, arrived, the defendant showed up seconds later in his vehicle. Police said that he was driving erratically.

When questioned Gossett became hostile and belligerent. The officers questioned him, and attempted to take him into custody when an argument erupted, according to police reports.

The altercation between the officers and the defendant expanded when the two Gossett brothers came on the scene.

During the confrontation with the three defendants, Spratke was injured.

All three brothers were arrested and conveyed to the station.

School superintendent quits

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

In a surprise and unexpected move, Dr. James N. Rutter will step down as superintendent of Inkster Public Schools.

Rutter planned to submit his resignation to the board of

education Tuesday night. He said that he has asked that the resignation be effective as of Friday, Aug. 14.

"I have been offered the job in Sacramento that I just couldn't refuse at this time," Rutter said during a telephone interview on Tuesday. "It's challenging and it's at my old

school district where I am known and there is much to do.

"I plan to submit my resignation to the board tonight."

Rutter has accepted the superintendent's position with the Grant-Union School District where he had served as the school chief for several years.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD JULY 27, 1998

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD JULY 27, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Rnaldolph Gear

Present: LeRoy D. Burcroff, William A. Crova, Randolph Gear, Donald R. Morris, Michael A. Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William J. Wadsworth
Absent: None
Excused: None

Administrative Officials in Attendance:
William Oakley, Mayor
Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
Kathleen Lindroth, Deputy Treasurer

Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to approve the agenda as amended.*

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-285

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Romulus City Council held July 13, 1998.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-286

3A. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to issue a No Fee Permit to the V.F.W. Post 1869 for their Annual Festival to be held August 21-23, 1998.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-287

3B. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to issue a No Fee Permit to St. Aloysius Church for their Annual Festival to be held Spetember 4-7, 1998.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-288

4A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to adopt a memorial resolution for the families of Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson, U.S. Capitol Police Officers who lost their lives in the line of duty while protecting our nations Capitol, to be sent in care of the Capitol Building, Washington, D.C.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-289

4B. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of the full and part time Romulus City

Employees during the large scale clean up after the storm damage on the evening of July 21, 1998.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-290

4C. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Morris to send a letter of appreciation to the Detroit Edison Company for their outstanding service in restoring the electrical service to the citizens of Romulus during the recent power failure created by the storm of July 21, 1998.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-291

5A. Motion by Morris, supported by Romak to enter into MDOT Contract #98-5263 between the Michigan Department of Transportation, the County of Wayne, and the City of Taylor for the reconstruction of Inkster Road from Goddard Road to the Norfolk Southern Railroad, including the reconstruction of the Sexton-Kilfoil culvert along with other necessary improvements. The City's twenty five percent (25%) share is estimated at Six Hundred Ninety One Thousand, Five Hundred and Twenty Five Dollars (\$691,525.00) to be funded by the City of Romulus Tax Increment Finance Authority. Further, Mayor William M. Oakley and Clerk Linda R. Choate are authorized to execute said document.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-292

5B. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to enter into a Traffic Signal Agreement with the County of Wayne, City of Taylor and the City of Romulus to participate in the cost of installation, maintenance and energy of a traffic signal device at Inkster and Goddard Roads. The City's twenty five percent (25%) estimated share is Eleven Thousand, Seventy Dollars (\$11, 070.00) and to authorize Mayor William M. Oakley and Clerk Linda R. Choate to execute said document.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-293

5C. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to award Bid 98-26 Neopost Company, the only bidder, for a model SM94 postage machine in the amount of \$6,698.70.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - Crova.
Motion Carried.

98-294

5D. Motion by Romak, supported bt Burcroff to introduce Budget Amendment 98/99-2 as follows:

FUND/DEPT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED AMENDMENT	BUDGET
Major Streets - Routine Maintenance			
202-463.00-818.000 Contractual Services	994,400	22,000	1,016,400
FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE		APPROPRIATE	REMAINING BALANCE
GENERAL FUND			
Major Streets	477,091	22,000	466,091

To appropriate additional funds for city share of Wayne County Paving projects (Hannan Road).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-295

5E. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Prybyla to adopt the resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute the contract between the City of Romulus and the Huron Valley Utility Authority and Notice of Right of Referendum, providing for the acquisition of the South Huron Valley Sanitary Sewage Collection and Treatment System. A copy in its entirety is on file in the City Clerk's office.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

98-296

5F. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to retain the services of Bodman, Longley & Dahling, L.L.P. as special counsel in the matter of Bylinki vs City of Romulus.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

5G. No action taken.

98-297

6A1. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the offer from Kenneth and Sandra Cullen to purchase excess City owned property (DP # 144 99 0024 000) in the amount of \$9,200.00.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously/

98-298

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to authorize payment of Warrant #98-14 in the grand total amount of Eight Hundred and Sixty One Thousand, Ninety Six Dollars and Fourteen Cents (\$861,096.14).
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None. Abstain - Crova.
Motion Carried.

12A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linds R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held July 27, 1998.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
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Westland sailor helps save passenger lives on burning Greek cruiser

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

An experienced U.S. sailor, son of a Westland man, recently came to the aid of foreign vacationers aboard a Greek luxury ship that was in flames in the Ionian Sea.

The sailor, Stephen G. Peppler, a John Glenn High School graduate and son of Louis Peppler of Westland, was serving on board the USS Saipan re-

cently, when it received a distress call from the luxury ship *Huntress*.

When the American sailors arrived the engine room of the *Huntress* was engulfed in flames and at least eight crew members were trying to leave the vessel in lifeboats.

One civilian on the vessel, Adrienne Piggott, a Wisconsin native, declared "the Navy's response was tremendous. We were lucky. None of us could speak Greek. We are definitely

happy that if anybody was going to rescue us it would be the U.S. Navy."

The incident occurred while the USS Saipan was midway through its six-month deployment in the Mediterranean Sea.

Peppler said the "desire for adventure and an opportunity to improve my life were two of many reasons I decided to enlist in the Navy."

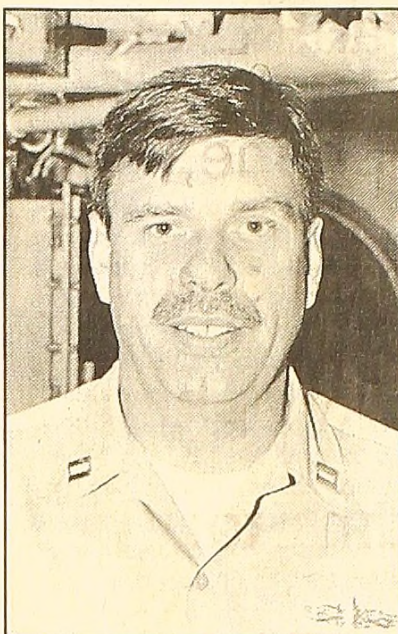
He added "I have an uncle who was in the Navy during World War II, who later became a judge. I joined the Navy, because he made his service sound pretty exciting."

Peppler, 42, is the deck division's department head. "I am responsible for the handling of four 135-foot landing craft. We also moor and anchor the ship. I'm also the general quarter's officer on the deck responsible for handling the ship during battle conditions."

Peppler said "traveling all over the world for the last 20 years has been great. My favorite ports are Hong Kong and Singapore."

He and his wife, the former Cindy Painter, have two children, Chris, 8, and Jeff, 5.

Peppler plans to retire in about four years (after serving 25 years) and move and teach in Florida.



Stephen Peppler



Romulus' first lady Mary Oakley (second from left) pauses with her golf mates Mary Laverack, Lois Smythe and Nan Kokila at the recent 11th Annual Substance Abuse Task Force Golf Outing at Shady Hollow Golf Course in Romulus. MCN Special Photo

Hedger, Hahn to wed

Tiffany Hedger and Jimmy Hahn of Westland will marry on Aug. 14 before a gathering of approximately 100 friends and relatives at the Wayne Recreation Center.

The bride is the daughter of Kimberley Hedger and granddaughter of Geri Smith of Florida. She also is the great-granddaughter of Ruby Moss of Canton.

The groom is the son of Judith Hahn and James Dowdao.

The couple met at a friend's home back in 1992.

The maid of honor will be Mariah Hedger, sister of the bride; and the bridesmaid will be Vickie Jagosz, a friend. The flower girl will be Paula Plowman and the ring bearer will be Gage Olsen.

The best man will be Chris Anderson and the groomsman will be Johnny Price and the ushers will be Aaron Thompson and Danny Julin.

The bride wore a stark white gown with pearls and sequins. The bridal song was the *Wedding March* and the bridal party song was *Your Love Amazes Me*.

Both are graduates of Wayne Memorial High School.

The groom is employed by Window Masters and his wife is a homemaker.



Jimmy Hahn and Tiffany Hedger

Christian broadcaster Al Kresta back on air

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Former Christian broadcaster Al Kresta has returned to Metro area radio.

Kresta - who formerly answered Christians' questions on his *Talk from the Heart* program on WMUZ-FM - left the radio microphones for several years to take part in other pursuits.

It recently was announced

that he now will appear simultaneously on Detroit's WCAR-1090 AM and Ann Arbor's WDEO-1290 AM.

Persons wishing to learn more about Kresta's new program *Al Kresta Live* can call 734-930-5200, the stations' business line.

For those who want to talk to Kresta on the air - call 734-930-2150 between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Task Force golfers chip in over \$10,000

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus area golfers chipped in more than \$10,000 recently to aid city drug prevention programs as they took part in Mayor William Oakley's 11th Annual Substance Abuse Task Force Golf Outing at the Shady Hollow Golf Course in Romulus.

The outing, which is the task force's only fund raiser, exceeded expectations this year. Hafeeza Hester, Oakley's office receptionist, said "the Task Force did very well this year. While the final figures are not tabulated, they are expected to surpass last year's."

Oakley, who is not known for his golf game, maintained a vigil at the fifth hole, selling raffle tickets for a 25-inch color TV and chances for a "closest to the hole" prize.

Oakley's efforts led his assistant David Cox to remark "when you get to the fifth tee, you will need your golf club, golf ball, golf tee and your wallet!"

The Task Force is composed of concerned citizens, civic leaders, educators, business persons, religious groups, human services agencies and health care organizations in the Romulus area.

In addition to the golfers, the event was supported by countless area business

"The people and businesses of Romulus have always given generously to the outing."

Mayor William Oakley

leaders; who donated services, goods, money and gift certificates for door prizes and raffles.

"The people and businesses of Romulus have always given generously to the outing," Oakley said "but the real winners year after year are the kids. I would like to thank everyone for their part in making this event an overwhelming success."

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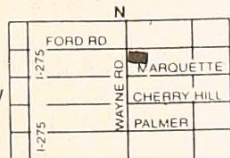
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Local Dems dependent on Clinton, Fieger for wins

Now that the Primary Election is out of the way, it's on to November where many interesting races await our analysis.

One of those competitions is the 8th District Michigan Senate seat. Here, Incumbent Republican Loren Bennett will take on popular Wayne mayor, Ken Warfield in a heated race. An interesting aspect of this district is that it is 56% Democratic, yet Bennett is the odds on favorite to retain his seat. How can that be?

Quite simply, Bennett is a furious campaigner, plays well to voters of both parties and has worked very hard in Lansing. In his district which covers several pockets that are heavily Democratic, such as Wayne and Romulus he is well-known and always available.

His opponent, Ken Warfield is also a veteran of the campaign trail and has the solid backing of the UAW leadership, which is very very important in Wayne, Westland and similar blue collar towns. Whether he can parlay that backing into a November win is likely to depend on what happens at the top of the ticket.

In other words, Warfield's political ambitions are dependent on President Bill Clinton and how effective he is at defusing the Starr investigation. As an addendum to that, and possibly even more important, is whether Geoffrey Fieger will give Governor Engler a run for his money. If he does Democrats, like Warfield will fare very well. If not, they can forget about following their dreams to Lansing.

Speaking of Fieger, few political pundits gave him a chance against Engler. The day after the Primary, polls indicated Engler had a 20 percentage point lead over the bombastic one. The only candidate ever to overcome that margin in a Michigan gubernatorial race was none other than Engler when he came from way behind to beat incumbent James Blanchard eight years ago.

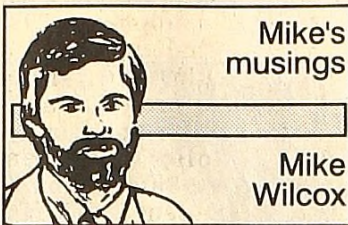
The difference, however, this time around is Fieger is coming off a very brutal and divisive Primary campaign. The Democratic unity breakfast, held the Wednesday morning after the Primary was

fought with no-shows. Candidate Doug Ross, Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, and the UAW leadership failed to make an appearance. This indicates that the healing process will be slow, if at all, amongst the major Democratic powerbrokers.

Another interesting twist to the Fieger drama, is his first choice for Lieutenant Governor. I've got to believe the most politically astute were shocked to hear he had offered the job to devout Republican and two-time political loser, Ronna Romney. I understand offering balance is supposedly a "good thing" on a political ticket, but this deal, if it had come down, was a teeter-totter. Philosophically, these two couldn't be more different. Romney declined early in the week because her ex-husband, Scott was running for Attorney General on the Republican ticket, and she wasn't going to subject her kids to campaigning for both the Republican and Democratic ticket, or so she said.

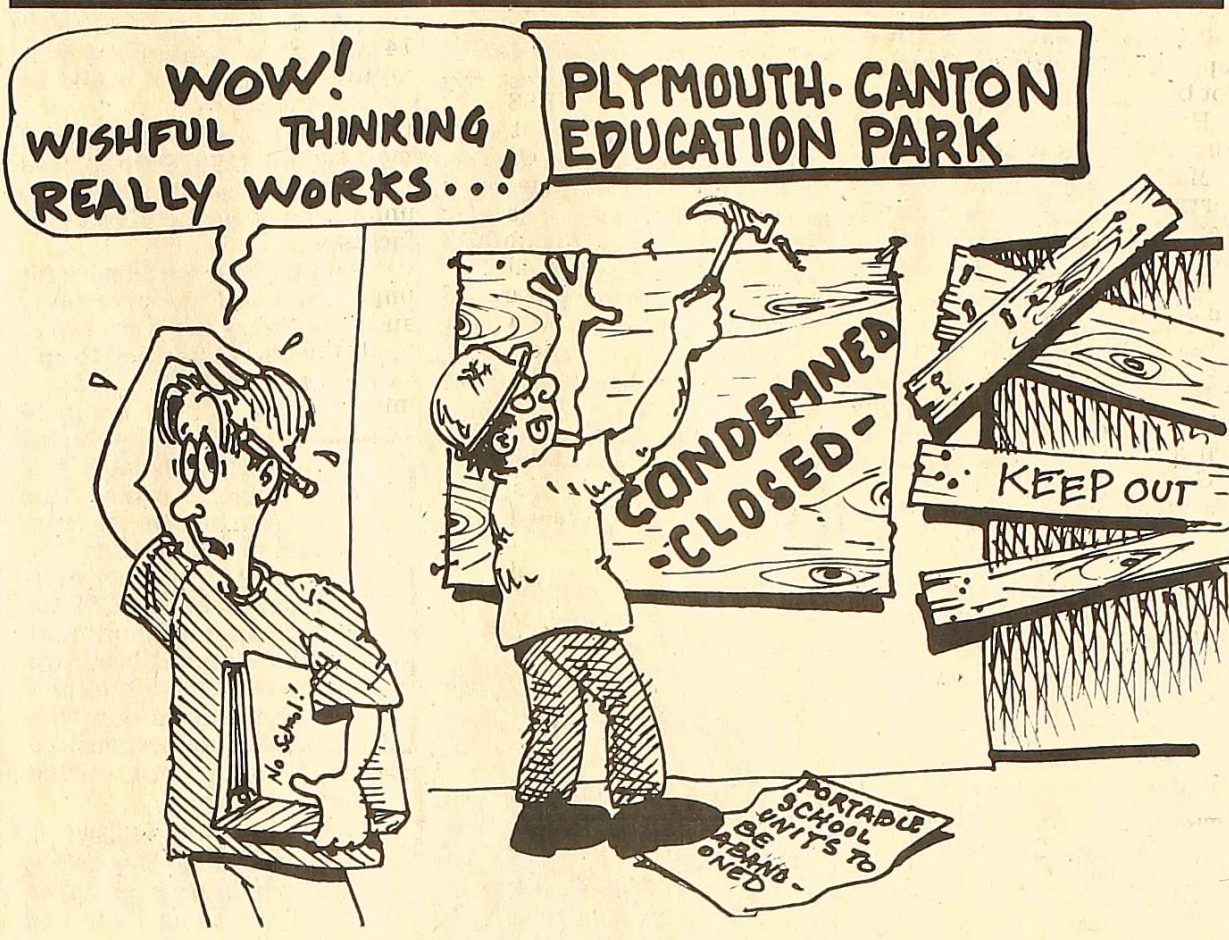
Finally, I was disheartened to see voters chose a well-known Irish name, Sullivan over three hard-working candidates in the Democratic primary for District 11 County Commissioner. David Parrott, Thomas Murphy Hartnett and Fred Bolden hit the campaign trail hard. Hartnett offered several very meaningful proposals including a suggestion that developers pay for road improvements. Parrott spent thousands of dollars and was seen at functions all over the district.

John Sullivan, a political unknown from Wayne, blew them all away by a wide margin. He was the invisible candidate. He didn't respond to interview requests. He didn't attend functions. He didn't campaign period. Obviously he didn't need to—his name brought him the bacon. In November he will face Melissa McLaughlin, a well-known Republican from Canton. She will win big if Sullivan fails to campaign this time around.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox



Walk mean streets with care

What's the most dangerous form of transportation? Flying?

From the publicity that accompanies every airplane crash, all TV watchers know that. No, everybody knows that by one statistical measure flying is 50 times safer than driving. The fatality rate for driving is 10.5 deaths per billion miles traveled compared to .2 deaths per billion miles flying. Travel by bus is safest of all: 0.1 per billion miles traveled.

So what's the most dangerous?

Here's a clue. It was invented by our ancestors when they got up off all fours.

The answer is walking. There are at least 147 deaths for every billion miles walked. Some estimate that the rate is 316.2 fatalities per billion miles traveled.

One thing's for sure, these deaths weren't caused by heart attacks. They were caused by collisions with automobiles.

I get these statistics from *Mean Streets 1998 Children At Risk Report*, issued by the Surface Transportation Policy Project.

The report is must reading for traffic planners, since the Ann Arbor-Detroit area was sixth in pedestrians killed by cars with 397 in 1996. Los Angeles led the league with 1,382.

Across the nation, 5,157 pedestrians bit the pavement.

"We found that most fatalities—69 percent—occur on neighborhood streets," according to the report. "This is a significant public health and safety problem that is killing more Americans than headline-grabbing causes of death such as random gun violence, airbags, or the e-coli bacteria. The data are even more sobering for children: 837 children died on the street in 1996, 16 percent of the total pedestrian deaths."

Something wrong here? Are pedestrians an endangered species? Perhaps. Experiences gained try-

ing to cross Ford Road on foot have taught me that in Canton pedestrians are well on their way to joining the dodo bird. While the majority

of Canton drivers look where they're going, some don't stop for pedestrians. Many stop but are amazed to see anybody walking to get some place.

"Where's your dog?" some yell at pedestrians.

According to the report, "dangerous and unpleasant roads are forcing children off the streets and into cars to be ferried everywhere by their parents. This trend has implications for children's health, as research shows an increase in obesity and inactivity among our youth, with that increase accelerating in the most recent survey."

Reliance on dangerous roads also limit and mutate children's social lives. One-dimensional organized activities wipe out complex neighborhood activities and social relations, devaluing neighborhoods and degrading social behavior.

These side effects were encouraged by Canton's road millage, which was put together by traffic engineers for cars instead of by town planners for cars and people.

I hope the next road plan integrates cars and people to improve Canton's quality of life, especially for children under 16.

The report urges municipalities to build more sidewalks; to slow down traffic in neighborhoods and pedestrian shopping zones; to reduce setbacks and parking requirements in commercial districts; and developing pedestrian transportation and safety master plans as part of the planning process.

It's time for communities like Canton to stop taking away our legs.



Ivan Helfman



Thanks a Million

WEEKLY SYNDICATED COLUMN by PERCY ROSS

Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."

What Happens When Good Money Chases Bad

Dear Mr. Ross: You probably don't realize this, but 2 months ago I couldn't have written this letter. I couldn't even lift a fork to eat I was so depressed. The doctors claim it's a chemical imbalance, so medication should treat it. I feel like a different person for the first time in God knows how long. Don't get me wrong—my life is far from perfect. I just thank my lucky stars I have the energy to deal with things now. So if not for me, why then am I writing?

It's for my best friend, whose choices in men have always left something lacking. This last "Joe" has put her all but out to pasture. No utilities, no rent money, no food money. Busted—flat broke. Could you send her \$5,000 to set her up with her own place and a used car? She's a fine person—good hearted, but a soft head. I hate to see her out on the street, but without her having a job, I don't dare risk taking her in. We'll appreciate whatever you send.

Miss P. S. ... *Post Dispatch*, St. Louis, MO

Dear Miss S.: If you're not willing to take a risk on your friend, why would I? Do you think I'm just sitting around, waiting for hard luck stories to show up so I can throw good money at them? Absolutely not. I'm looking for individuals who are already willing to help themselves and all they need is a boost from me. So let's see if you're up to the challenge.

If your friend has any merit, you will take her in temporarily until she finds a job. You'll know within a week if the intent is there to work. We'll call that conditions A and B. If these two occur, I'll send \$500. This will defray both your living expenses for the next month.

If your friend is still working at this time I'll send an additional \$1,000 so she can get a small efficiency apartment. Thereafter, you're both on your own. Now, I realize you may have left out some important information in your letter, but

many times, I call 'em, like I read 'em. I'll wait to hear from you.



Dear Readers: I want to address something that concerns so many of you who write. I commonly hear, "Mr. Ross, we're going to lose our home." If not home, it's cars, businesses, furniture, jewelry, etc. The common element here is these are things. They are possessions. They are material items that so many think they need in life.

Well, I got news for you. Whatever in life do you really own? Do you own that suit? Do you own your refrigerator? Do you own your golf clubs? These material things are just that—things that you get to enjoy for a short period of time. I caution you not to be a slave to your possessions. I myself own nothing. Yes, I enjoy a few nice paintings, a car and a lovely roof over my head, but these things could all be gone tomorrow.

Please learn and understand that the most important things you ever own are those items that you carry within yourself. No one can steal your pride or repossess your dignity and integrity. Of equal importance are family and friends. While some still believe these can be bought and sold, the love of people who care about you is the greatest treasure you will ever own. Spend more time on relationships. It's been said that a dying person never regrets not having spent more time at the office. For me, investing in people will always outweigh investing in the stock market. They both involve risk, but there's no comparison when it comes to the dividends.

Editor's note: Check your local radio station for Percy Ross' call of the day and visit his web site at www.thanksamillion.com

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to: "Jerry Partovich" and a self-addressed stamped envelope (for return, should entries not be received).

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Jerry Partovich

Discrimination doesn't lead to inequality

To the editor:

Thomas Sowell wrote recently exposing another of Bill Clinton's weaknesses in government leadership and design. Clinton's old-fashioned and ill-conceived idea that differences in income between various ethnicity's are the result of discrimination, and differences in intelligence quotients are a myth.

Thomas spent 16 years researching and writing about race and culture, and reports that statistical disparities between groups are the rule in countries around the world. He found that many disparities, including income and I.Q. are at least as great in other countries as those between blacks and whites in the United States.

Discrimination is not the answer to disparities in income. It would help if the liberals who pretend great knowledge and insight concerning social problems between ethnic groups would read Sowell's book on race and culture. Most liberals remain hung up on the W.E.B. Dubois, Jesse Jackson, Bill Clinton motif of victimization, reparation, and government largesse.

The disrespect shown Walter Williams, Shelby Steele, Ward Connerly, Clarence Thomas, and others most interested in individual rights by liberal columnists exposes their ideological preferences for central planning and big brother government.

Sincerely,
Neil Goodbred

Modern witch doctors producing plenty of patients

To the editor:

Much has been written about the wonders of contemporary medicine. But, if modern doctors are all so wonderful why are their patients all so sick! Demand for medical services should be decreasing, but instead its increasing to the point were it is threatening to bankrupt the nation.

Something is not right here. Are our modern "witch doctors" promising more then they can deliver?

Walter Warren
Westland

Why don't you print any Westland crime?

To the editor:

I get the Westland Eagle every week & EYEWITNESS. I get so upset with the news. It is all about Van Buren Twp., Canton, Romulus, all the crime calls are in there for these areas. What? Is Westland Crime free or too much to write about?

As a citizen of Westland of 44 years, I like to know what's going on about me. So I can protect my home family. I do know there is a lot that goes on in Westland I want to read about our town not all the rest.

There is enough gossip in Westland. I don't need to do outside stuff.

Sorry had to get it off my chest,

Evelyn Staats

My husband is really 80 years old, not 70

To the editor:

I was surprised to see the letter I wrote to Mr. Mooradian on the July 31 Wayne Eagle. I was not aware he was "the Editor."

Also - you printed in my letter that my husband will be 70 in September. He will in fact be 80 and I'm sure I wrote 80 in my letters. Perhaps you could print a correction in the next edition of the Wayne Eagle.

Sincere Thanks,
Patricia Bell

It's easy to criticize, difficult to solve problems

To the editor:

I have two questions. The first is for the Editor of this newspaper. Is Mr. Utley the only person who writes you letters, so you have to print everything he submits; or does he write so many that the odds are in his favor that something will make it in?

My second question (actually it's more of a general statement) is for Mr. Utley: It's easy for an individual to sit back and issue missives about the wrongs of this world. A real thinker deals with solutions.

Kevin Karson
Wayne

Gov. Fieger's ego will drive him to court

To the editor:

For many years the concept of a part-time or a Unicameral government in Lansing has been pursued by progressives in Michigan. Each effort to accomplish this has been "cut-off at the pass" by incumbent legislators. Now, with the nomination of Geoffrey Fieger for governor, we have the prospect of a long-sought adaption.

Considering the current salary for governor of \$127,300 per year, a sum that Mr. Fieger can collect in just one lawsuit, the ego-engine driving Mr. Fieger will direct him to the courts more often than the chambers in Lansing. This could be the start of our part-time or Unicameral government in Lansing at last, but, at what a cost!!

Anthony B. Brehler, aka
Grumpy

Police Captain groomed for community leadership

Police Captain Laura Golles recently graduated (along with 14 others) from the nine month Leadership Canton course sponsored by Canton, the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Cleary College.

The program promotes an understanding of the various facets of the community; reveals how leadership styles impact upon the community and, illustrates how one can apply the techniques of leadership to their own community interests.

The program covers ten focus areas for which students are exposed. They include: the Nature of Leadership, Growing Pains of Canton, Quality of Life, Health and Human Services, Local and County Government, Business and Economic Development, The Justice, the Challenges of the Future and culminates with a hands-on team project that is beneficial to the community.

Captain Golles has been with the Public Safety department for eighteen years and

The program promotes an understanding of the various facets of the community.

has served in the capacity of captain for the past eight years. She currently oversees the Staff Operations Division, which consists of the Investiga-

tion Bureau, Accident Investigations Team, Evidence Technicians, Fire Investigations Team, Crime Prevention, Youth Liaison Officer, D.A.R.E. program, Records Bureau, and Property Control.

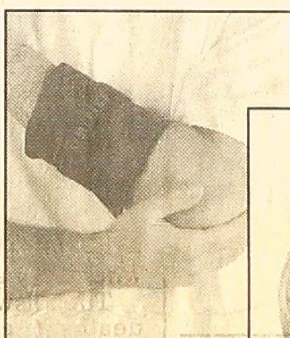
Captain Golles holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Eastern Michigan University (E.M.U.) and is presently studying at E.M.U. toward a Masters in Interdisciplinary Technology. She is a resident of Canton and has two children.

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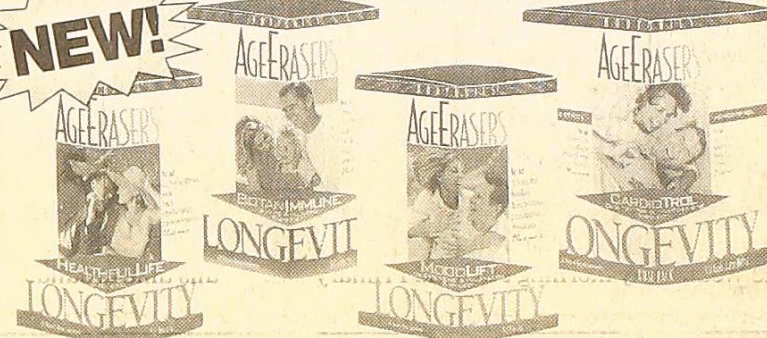
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By RITA BEDELL
Police Beat Writer

Canton Reports

Canton Police reported two incidents the past week. The first being the breaking and entering of Jets Pizza located at 7300 Lilley Road.

The suspect smashed a window near the front door and entered the closed business. An employee working inside scared off the intruder, who then took off in a white van.

Officer M. Tulip spotted the suspect at Warren and Morton Taylor where a short pursuit followed. At Simsbury and Pittsford, the van lost control onto the front lawn of a residence.

Officer Tulip chased the suspect on foot, catching him in the subdivision. Canton Police are seeking multiple warrants against the man including possession of a stolen vehicle. The van was reported stolen from Plymouth Twp.

The second major incident was a bomb threat at Yazaki on Haggerty Road.

A female caller made the threat. Canton Police, Fire Department, and a K-9 dog made a thorough search after evacuating the building. No bomb was found.

The Canton Police Detective Bureau is investigating this report. There are no suspects at this time.

Van Buren officers were called on by the Michigan State Police on July 27 to assist in the search for a domestic violence suspect at I-94 and Haggerty.

The K-9 unit was called on to assist at two separate incidents on July 27.

The first was to assist Canton police with a vehicle search. The next was to assist the Washtenaw County Sheriff with a fleeing and eluding case.

Neighbors in the 11000 block of the S. Service Drive weren't quite so neighborly on July 27 as officers had to be called to help solve some problems.

Verbal domestic problems sent officers to a home in the 5800 block of Winchester on July 27 at 7:27pm.

A water main broke in the 45000 block of Van Born on July 22 at 6pm.

An assault was reported from a location in the 51000 block of Sylvia.

Domestic problems were brought to the attention of officers in the 41000 block of E. Archwood.

Officers responded to the call. The problems were only verbal.

An arrest was made from the 12900 block of Lake Pt. Pass on July 23 at 9:30am after a car was broken into.

Someone slashed some tires on a vehicle in Bellridge on July 23.

A cell phone was stolen from a car on Lake Pt. Pass on July 23.

An injury accident was responded to on Denton Road at 4:34pm on July 23.

A transformer exploded on Robson Road on July 23 at 10pm.

Someone reported an attempted arson fire on Michigan Avenue.

Police received a call of a car accident at Haggerty and the S. Service Drive on July 23 at 10:50pm.

An arrest was made at the scene for drunk driving.

There was an arrest made in the Van Buren Estates on July 28 at 1:05am due to domestic violence.

A car was reported stolen from a home on Roger Street on July 28.

Farmer Jack's reported a strong arm robbery on July 29 at 9pm.

The suspect was arrested at his home immediately following the incident.

A caller from Kirkridge Park reported a domestic problem that was occurring outside in the parking lot.

Officers responded but could not locate the problem when they arrived.

A father and son domestic problem sent officers to Town & Country on July 30. A warrant request is being issued on the son.

Residents of Bellridge called police to report suspicious persons in the area.

Officers went to find the people looking for their keys in the grass.

A child was found wandering around on Arthur Street on July 30 at 5:16pm.

Police turned the child over to the mother.

A semi truck struck the traffic light at Michigan and Denton Roads on July 30 at 6:13pm.

Someone reported a suspicious situation in Capital Hills on July 30.

Officers arrived to find an intoxicated teenager.

Police were called to a location on Beck Road north of Ecorse due to cows/bulls in the road.

Officers "rounded-up" the herd and all was well.

Someone called officers to complain of a loud semi-truck parked on Belleville Road on July 28 at 6:30pm.

The driver was cited for open intoxicants in the rig.

The Clark Gas Station called to report a person who failed to pay for their gas purchase.

Officers responded and the person had returned and paid.

Ex-boyfriend/girlfriend confrontation in Southport prompted a call from a concerned citizen on July 28.

Turned out that there was no crime, although the two had to be separated.

Retail fraud at Meijer's on July 28 resulted in one arrest.

Parkwood Manor was the spot for officers to be on July 28 at 2:15pm.

A felony arrest was made at the complex and the suspect was wanted in connection with a homicide by Inkster Police.

A domestic problem report was filed with Van Buren on July 28 from a home in the 44000 block of Hull Road.

A report was made of an assault and battery as well as malicious destruction of property from a location in the 48000 block of Denton.

Huron Township Police called Van Buren to inform them that they had made an arrest on a warrant held in Van Buren.

Officers went to the jail and transported the suspect to their facilities.

Another warrant pick-up was made on July 29. This one was held at the Washtenaw County Jail.

Someone did not pay for their purchase at the Shell Station on July 29 at 5:12pm.

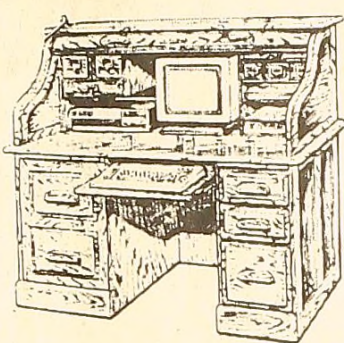
Patrol officers made a traffic stop on Michigan Ave. on July 29 and an arrest was made at the scene.

Domestic problems sent officers to the 7500 block of Kirkridge on July 31. No further information is available about the call.

A breaking and entering report was made from the 48000 block of the South Service Drive on July 31.

A warrant arrest was made at Rawsonville and Grove Roads on August 1 at 12:10am.

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ROMULUS FALL SOFTBALL for Men's Friday night and Sunday afternoon double-headers. Two game elimination tournaments will end the season. Team entry fee is \$300 including balls, umpires, scorekeepers and awards. Registration will continue through Aug. 21 with the leagues starting Aug. 28 and Aug. 30. For more information call the Romulus Recreation Department at 734-942-6852.

YMCA DAY CAMP More than 2,000 campers are now attending 15 YMCA day camps in the Metro Detroit area, including one at 827 S. Wayne road in Westland. Stop by the Y offices for more information.

DISABILITY LAWYERS TO SPEAK Social Security disability lawyers will speak at 7 p.m. Aug. 18 at the First United Methodist Church of Wayne under the sponsorship of the Michigan Lyme Disease Association. The meeting is free. For more information call Connie at 734-326-3502.

CLAM HUNT will take place on the Huron River at 10 a.m. Aug. 15 at Island Park in Ann Arbor under the direction of the Huron River Watershed Council. Experts will be on hand to teach volunteers to identify four species of clams that are on the endangered or threatened list. To pre-register call 734-449-4592.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING free screening takes place from noon until 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the lobby of Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road in Garden City - between Ford and Warren roads.

FREE HEARING SCREENING is offered from noon until 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the lobby of the Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road in Garden City - between Ford and Warren roads.

ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP for family members, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders. The free gathering will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 9 in Classroom No. 1 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330 for more information.

PAINTING EXHIBITION Expressionist painter George McCullough from Fort Wayne, Ind. will continue his one person art show through Aug. 26 at the J.Punk Fine Art Inc. of 2203 River road in Maumee, Ohio. For more information call 419-897-7755.

SUMMER DANCE II is slated to begin at 8 p.m. Aug. 15 at St. John Neumann's Gym in Canton. Cost is \$8. Dance is for singles ages 21 and over. Proper attire is required. Call Bill at 734-641-2398 or Jim at 734-454-4269.

SINGLE MINGLE DANCE is slated at 8 p.m. every Wednesday at the Bonnie Brook Country Club at Telegraph road, south of 8 Mile road in Redford. Proper attire is required. Dances are open to those 21 and over. Cost is \$4 and the dance hotline is 313-842-0443.

DETROIT CHADSEY HIGH SCHOOL REUNION for classes 1948-49 will be held Oct. 3, 1998 at St. Clement Hall, 19600 Ford road, Dearborn. Class of 1948 members should call 313-266-4129 and 313-383-1589. Members of the class of 1949 should call 313-273-1589.

10TH ANNUAL NORTHVILLE VICTORIAN FESTIVAL will be held Sept. 18-20 in downtown Northville. Weekend festivities will include a parade, Eu-



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gene Clark's Punch and Judy show, Richard Paul's puppet show, Geri Green's musical jamboree, as well as clowns, storytellers and magicians. Saturday and Sunday events will begin at 11 a.m. each day. For more information call Laurie Mars at the Northville Chamber at 248-349-7640.

YPSILANTI HERITAGE FESTIVAL featuring lumberjack show, a polo classic, living history encampment, train race, antique cars from Aug. 21-23. Patti Labelle Concert is slated on Aug. 21. For more information call 734-483-4444.

PROJECT COMPASSION GOLF OUTING is slated at St. John's Golf Club, 14830 Sheldon road, Plymouth at noon Aug. 29. Four person scramble costs \$95 per person and will cover carts, refreshments on the course and a dinner. Outing benefits nursing home programs at Project Compassion, 3455 Woodward ave., Detroit. For more information call 800-626-9622.

OPEN AUDITIONS are planned by the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra from Sept. 11-13. Deadline for scheduling such an audition is Aug. 28. Candidates should be prepared to play a solo of their choice, selected excerpts and scales pertaining to their instrument grouping. The location of the auditions is Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward ave., Detroit.

PLANNING FOR IRA DISTRIBUTIONS is slated at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 25 by Paine Webber Inc. at the Paine Webber Conference Center in Livonia. Seminar speaker is Daniel A. Cesta, investment executive. Call hotline at 800-616-1123.

LIVING TRUST AND WEALTH PRESERVATION is slated at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 27 by Paine Webber Inc. at the Paine Webber Conference Center in Livonia. Seminar speakers are attorney David Perry and investment executive Philip P. Bocketti Jr. For more information call 800-616-1123.

HEALTH SCREENINGS for Inkster Senior Citizens will be offered from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 18 at Simmons Center, 29150 Carlisle. The program is being sponsored by the Inkster Senior Services and Inkster Weed and Seed. For more information call 313-561-2382.

METRO AIRPORT CENTER PICNIC is slated to be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 21 in Romulus. Music will be supplied by Blues artists: Ted Laskar, Erin Roberts and Eric Sbar. Picnic items will include: bar-b-que ribs and chicken, corn-on-the-cob, potato salad and ice cream. Ro-

mulus city officials have been invited to take part.

ROMULUS CHAMBER GOLF OUTING is slated for 8:30 a.m. Aug. 27 at Willow Metro Golf Center in Huron Township. Tickets cost \$85 each. Call Romulus Chamber Executive Secretary Karan Johnson for tickets at 326-4290, only a small number of foursome tickets are still available.

40TH ANNUAL STAMP SHOW is slated to open at 10 a.m. Oct. 3 and 4 at the Al Matta Club, 5121 Oakman blvd. in Dearborn. The free show includes 30 frames of stamps and Postal History and the Bourse will consist of 10 dealers. A special cachet commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Ford Stamp Club and the Ford 150 truck will be available for \$1 per cover.

RAILROADIANA EVENT featuring opportunities to buy or trade trains and toys from noon until 4 p.m. Sept. 20 hosted by the SS. Simon and Jude Church Ushers' Club. Admission is \$2 each or \$4 for a family. Church is located at 32500 Palmer road (one mile west of Merriman road) in Westland. For more information call 595-8327.

BEANIE BABY SHOW AND SALE is sited from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 23 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer st. in Plymouth. Admission is \$4, (\$2 for those ages 4-12). Door prizes every hour. Show features dealers and collectors selling current and retired Beanie Babies. For more information call 734-455-2110.

CANNING CONTEST for the Romulus Pumpkin Festival should be brought to the Romulus Recreation Department, 36515 Bibbins from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 16. All entries must be home made by the participant.

HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST will be judged in Romulus Sept. 17 rain or shine. Decorations must be of a fall theme. Call the Romulus Recreation Department before 6 p.m. that day to register. Prizes will be awarded Sept. 19 at the Pumpkin Festival.

PIE BAKING CONTEST The only pies that will be judged for prizes this year will be pumpkin, sweet potato, peach and apple. All entries must be dropped off at the city's recreation department office, 36515 Bibbins, by 6 p.m. Sept. 18. Winners will be announced at the hospitality booth at 12:30 p.m. Sept. 19.

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 26 at the International Conference Center in the Grand Ballroom. Celebration

commemorates the passage of the 19th Amendment that gave women the right to vote. Tickets cost \$25. For more information call Sharon Bernard at 248-473-3371.

FREE WATERGARDEN CLASS The Grass Roots Nursery of New Boston is sponsoring a free watergarden class at 11 a.m. Aug. 16. The subject is balancing your pond. Instructor is Scott Bates. Dress for the weather. There is no need to register. For more information call 734-753-9200.

PRACTICAL PUBLIC SPEAKING crunch course in speaking is slated for Aug. 22 at the Ramada Inn, 20777 Eureka road in Taylor. The cost is \$40 including continental breakfast and lunch. For more information call Genevieve Arrange, president of International Training in Communication at 313-561-0900.

VISIONS OF THE LAND is slating its opening reception from 6 to 9 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Swann Gallery, 1250 Library st. in Detroit. On display is original artwork by metropolitan area artists at prices all can afford. Gallery is located behind the old J.L. Hudson building, one block east of Woodward. For more information call 313-965-4826.

BOOK PUBLICATION RECEPTION to celebrate the book *Flowers for Bobbie: Writings in memory of Bobbie Jo Komisar*. Book was written by friends and fellow students in remembrance of a Henry Ford Community College student who died of a brain aneurysm on May 11, 1996. Reception is at 4:30 p.m. Aug. 13 in the HFCC Prairie Garden. Copies of the book cost \$15.

SCARECROW WORKSHOP at 2 p.m. Aug. 29 at Maybury Farms in Northville. Help build scarecrows for the farms' fields and gardens. All supplies are provided...just bring your imagination. A state park motor vehicle permit is required to enter the park. Call the park office for more information at 248-349-8390.

SATURDAY FAMILY FISHING at Maybury State Park from 7 to 9 p.m. each Saturday in August. Bring your own fishing equipment. Used the Beck road entrance. For more information call 248-349-8390.

KID'S HIKE will begin at 11 a.m. Aug. 15 at the Farm Demonstration Building at the Maybury State Park. Program set up for children under 12 and their families. For more information call 248-349-8390.

ANIMAL CARE FAIR Seventh annual Michigan Humane Society Animal Care Fair is slated from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 22 and 23 on the front lawn of the Southfield Civic Center. Adoptable pets are available, discounts on pet products and Frisbee and canine flyball demonstrations.

REAL ESTATE SEMINAR slated from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan Headquarters at 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. For registration information call 248-737-4477.

RESTLESS LEGS SYNDROME slated at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Aug. 27 and Sept. 26 at MEDMAX, 35600 Central City Parkway in Westland. Guided by Dr. Jay Gorell, head of the Division of movement disorders, Department of Neurology at Henry Ford Hospital.

ALCOHOL-LESS GOLF OUTING Third annual golf outing sponsored by the Community United Methodist Church of Romulus on Sept. 26 at Shady Hollow Golf Course. Cost is \$45

per person. Two person scrambles. Flights are men, women and mixed. Lunch will be served at the church, 11160 Olive road. For more information call LeRoy Burcroff at 734-467-8058. Proceeds to benefit local mission work.

CRAFT SHOW is slated from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17 at St. Theodore's Parish at 8200 Wayne road in Westland. Show is sponsored by the Confraternity of Christian Women. Admission is free, but table rentals are \$20. For more information call Mary at 734-425-4421.

SINGLES COALITION BENEFIT DANCE slated from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 28 at the Novi Hilton Hotel main ballroom, 21111 Haggerty road in Novi. Tickets cost \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. For more information call David Hurlbert at 248-851-9919.

CARSON FAMILY FINE ART EXHIBIT including that of Canton resident Maureen O'Brian Carson is now on display at the Plymouth Community Arts Council through Aug. 28. Wednesday hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. All other weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Call 734-416-4ART for more information.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL registration is now being accepted at St. Aloysius School in Romulus. Grades K-8. Kindergarten is a five day (all day) program. For further information call 734-941-5050.

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10 minute screenings slated Saturday - that could save 'your life'

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

A series of fast, painless and low cost medical tests that could possibly save the lives of Romulus area residents are being offered on Saturday at the Romulus Recreation Center on Bibbins.

The tests are being conducted to aid area residents from falling victim to strokes and related maladies.

Those wishing to avail themselves of the \$35 tests must call Life Line Screening - Stroke Screening for Life at 1-800-407-4557 by Friday. The testing will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. at the local recreation center.

The tests include:

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Also offered is a 60 second osteoporosis test of the heel to determine abnormalities in density.

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Youth programs are on a "roll"

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Since beginning his ministry at the Romulus Wesleyan Church, Gary Lafever has tried to keep his efforts on a "roll" — actually on a hockey rollerblade status.

Lafever was hired by Pastor Steve Adams, who has been a hockey fan for years and hopes that the current excitement over the Detroit Red Wings will have spiritual dimensions in the Western Wayne area.

The outdoor hockey/rollerblading activity at the Goddard road church (next to Mary Ann Banks Memorial Park) occurs every Wednesday night. Youth — who need not be members of the church — need bring only skates or rollerblades and a hockey stick. Lafever and Adams will supply the adult supervision, hockey goals and cold drinks.

The hockey fest — open to youth 13-18 — begins at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays and continues until about 9:30 p.m.

Lafever, who was born in Shelby, grew up as a teenager in Montague, Mich. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Christian Ministry from Spring Arbor College in 1992.

While he spends much of his day hours doing foundry work at Huron Valley Steel Co., Lafever works nights and weekends as a youth Christian leader.

He started at the Romulus based church in June and is busy planning lunch time school visitations this fall at Romulus Middle and High Schools and Wayne Memorial High.

Lafever, who grew up in the Wesleyan faith, said he is working on contemporary themes for his in-house youth activities at Romulus Wesleyan.

He is planning to use current events, various style videos and even tapes from various TV programs to spotlight issues in his youth ministry.

His wife, Patty, also is working at the church as a youth sponsor.

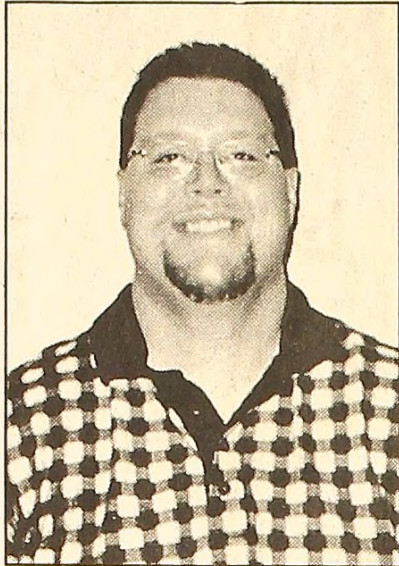
An All Nations Lutheran Church has begun operation at 35004 Michigan ave. (near Wayne road) in Wayne.

The services are being heavily attended by Asian and Arabic American residents. A 1 p.m. service each Sunday is conducted in English and a 10 a.m. service is offered in Hindi and Urdu languages.

The pastor is Farrukh Khan. Further information can be obtained by calling 467-6256.

Registration for St. Aloysius School in Romulus is now underway.

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Gary Lafever

grades K-8, including an all-day kindergarten class. In addition a new computer lab has been added to the school, a physical education program is offered two days a week, vocal music once a week and instrumental programs are offered through Penguin Music.

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But will they be listened to?

Citizens given voice at school board

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

Next Monday citizens will finally have a voice at Wayne-Westland school board meetings.

Board President David Cox said he will ask the board to allow citizens to comment on agenda items at the beginning of the meeting, before the items are voted on.

"People can't believe that they come to school board

meeting and don't presently have an opportunity to speak until after the vote," he said. "We will now allow people a half hour at the front of the meeting to address agenda items to express their concerns and get their point of view across before vote."

Cox made the decision spontaneously.

He said, "It dawned on me after getting elected board president that citizens didn't have an opportunity to make a comment on issues. I thought

this was unusual."

Citizens can only address agenda items at the beginning of the meeting. Non agenda items, such as gay, lesbian, and "transsexual" rights -- a continuing topic at board meetings -- will have to wait until after the agenda is completed.

"This is because our meetings are held to do school business, not to provide anybody with a forum to discuss social issues," said Cox. "Once we get the business of the schools done, we can listen to other

comments."

Cox said he will also propose setting up a citizens strategic planning committee.

He said, "We have instructional, legal, and financial committees. Now we're going to have a committee to look at planning long-term. We want to develop a track to run on and establish what we want to achieve and what direction we want to go. We want to provide a forum so citizens can comment on those directions, and bring back recommendations."



Charlesetta Said, shown here with her family, was the weekly winner in the quiz contest and drawing at Ryan's restaurant in Westland. Said is eligible to win a trip to Atlanta.

Madonna accepting business school apps

Applications are now being accepted for the Online Multi-degrees in National and International Business (OMNIBUS) program for the term starting September 1998.

Initiated in April 1997 by Madonna University and Schoolcraft College in Livonia, this innovative, technology-driven degree program allows students to earn an associate, bachelor and master degree in business in four years.

"Due to the success of OMNIBUS, we will take a limited number of applications for students who wish to take advantage of this accelerated degree program," said Dr. Stuart Arnds, dean of Madonna's School of Business.

Students in the program visits the campus a limited number of times over the entire course of study because classes will be delivered through a variety of distance learning technologies such as e-mail, Internet, video-based instruction and audiotapes, allowing students to complete course assignments from home or work.

"We know that many people are unable to pursue a degree the traditional way due to

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Students who enrolled in the program last fall agree that the quality of instruction and convenience of distance learning are highlights of OMNIBUS.

"The OMNIBUS program is geared to help a student succeed. The faculty do everything they can to help you along," said Tracy Yurko of Plymouth, who enrolled in the program last fall.

"The program allows me to learn at the pace I want to learn...It is different from the regular classroom structure where I would have to go to class and possibly interfere with my job a great deal," added OMNIBUS student Chris Sprague of Canton.

Other amenities of the program include one admission process, so that students who successfully complete each phrase of the program will automatically be admitted to the next stage, and a guaranteed tuition of \$180 per credit hour for the entire program. Tuition

includes courses, fees, books and materials. Financial aid may be available for qualified students.

OMNIBUS students starting in September 1998 will complete the program in four years. In July 2000, at the end of the second year of study, study will earn an associate of science degree, followed by a bachelor of science in business in December 2001. A master of science degree in

business administration will be awarded to the students in July 2002.

Both Madonna University and Schoolcraft College are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (30 North LaSalle St., Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602-2504, 312/263-0456).

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Seniors on the go

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300 join National Night Out

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Hours of fun activities and growing relationships took place last week as more than 300 Romulus Police officers and senior citizens joined in a National Night Out program at various locations in Romulus.

It was the local police department's first formal venture into participating in the Aug. 4th Night Out campaign, Police Officer Joe Richardson, coordinator of the campaign, said last week.

Richardson revealed fun times were evident at various campaign sites and "plans are already underway to make next year's event even better."

The National Night Out program is designed to encourage communities and police partnerships.

Richardson explained "for one night communities join law enforcement officials in recognizing the importance of working together. Through programs, informal exchanges and innovative ideas, the areas come together to make a difference," he said.

The senior citizen sites that took part were the Romulus Towers, Romulus Senior Citizen Center, the Southeast Neighborhood Watch, the Jones Sub Neighborhood Watch and the Metro Mobile Home Park.

Live entertainment, police displays, neighborhood walks, visits from politicians, games and food for all were part of the enticements to get involved last week.

Some of the fun times included the dunking of local dignitaries including Chief 34th



Singer Lou Richards and Romulus resident Fran Bredow join in the music portion of last Tuesday night's National Night Out program. MCN Special Photo

District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green, Fire Chief David Allison, Department of Public Works Director David Paul, Recreation Department Director Debbie Dick and even officer Richardson himself.

There also were visits from Ronald McDonald, State Sen. Loren Bennett, State Rep. Ray Basham, Mayor William Oakley and Police Chief Charles Kirby.

One event at the Romulus Senior Towers kicked off at 1

p.m. with various displays and a brief luncheon. The displays included crime prevention items, a SWAT team project and K9 activity. A new police car and various police bikes also were displayed.

Later at 3:30 p.m. similar displays, games of chance, the dunk tank, hay rides, dancing, karaoke music and a turkey dinner were offered at the Romulus Senior Center on Bibbins. The event climaxed at 12:30 a.m. with the reading of a bed time story, Richardson said.

Senior spelling bee conducted

Eighteen residents of nine Tendercare Inc. facilities throughout Wayne County gathered at the Wayne Campus Courtyard at 10 a.m. on Aug. 12 for the group's first annual spelling bee.

The Courtyard building is located at 4425 Venoy road in Wayne and the spelling bee took place in the building's dining room.

Following the spelling bee, a lunch buffet was served.

Two residents (a building winner and runner-up) from each Tendercare home (including Tendercare Wayne on Venoy road) took part.

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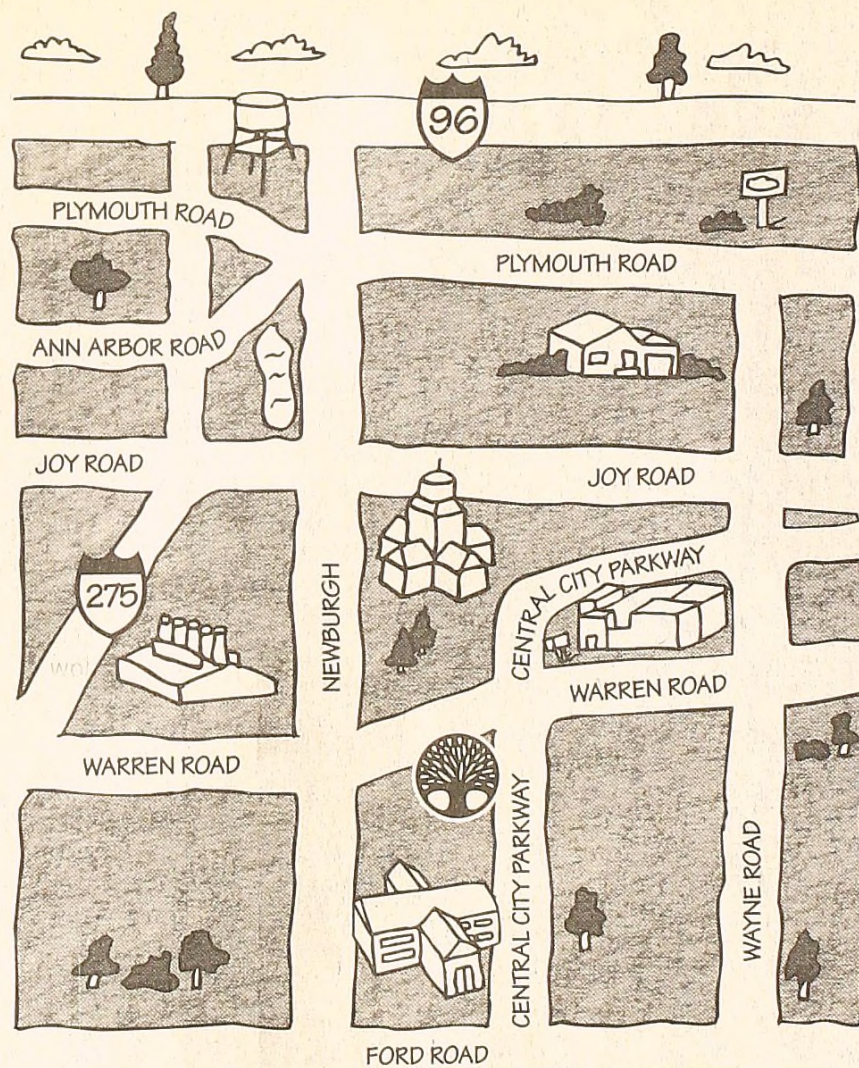
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Angels to spread wings at art museum

A heavenly host is heading for Detroit. That's because the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA) will be the third stop in a national tour of The Invisible Made Visible: Angels from the Vatican.

Beginning August 23rd, the exhibition will give museumgoers the unprecedented opportunity to see how angels have been portrayed in art during the past two millennia, by masters such as Raphael, Guido Reni, Fra Angelico and Salvador Dali, as well as other renowned artists. Sponsored by Chrysler Corporation, Angels from the Vatican will tour through April 1999, with remaining stops in Baltimore and West Palm Beach after its two-month stay in Detroit.

"Chrysler is very proud to sponsor this once-in-a-lifetime event," said Robert J. Eaton, Chrysler's chief executive officer and chairman. "The artists portrayed something they couldn't see or touch."

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Comprised of some of the world's best, but rarely seen, works of art portraying angels, the Vatican exhibition includes more than 100 paintings, sculptures, artifacts, ceramics, liturgical vessels and vestments. The collection features works from the Assyrian, Etruscan, Greek, Roman and Christian traditions. Visitors will get a rare glimpse of original paintings, sculptures, pottery and sacred artifacts currently preserved in the Vatican's collections, which includes 13 museums.



This sketch is a study for a section of the great fresco within the cupola of the church of the Gesu in Rome. Angels are shown in their typical attitudes of praising the Lord, singing hymns and playing musical instruments.

"Speaking on behalf of the Museum Board and staff, we are thrilled by this opportunity to share these works — many never before seen outside the Vatican — with our members and visitors," Maurice Parrish, DIA interim director, said.

This tour is the first collaboration of its kind between the Vatican and Chrysler Corporation. The works for display were selected by a team of Vat-

ican scholars under the direction of Father Allen Duston, O.P., Vatican director of the exhibition, and Dr. Arnold Nesselrath, curator of Byzantine, Medieval and Renaissance painting in the Vatican Museums and Pontifical Galleries and guest curator for the exhibition.

"The Angels from the Vatican exhibition demonstrates the enduring human fascination with spiritual intermedi-

aries," Father Duston said. "These works of art show how angels have fired the imaginations of great artists for centuries."

According to Father Duston, the tour comes at a time of renewed interest in angels, even as reflected in the popularity of recent movies and television shows on the subject.

"The tour will be at DIA from Aug. 23 — Oct. 18, 1998; the Walters Art Gallery in Bal-

timore, Md., Nov. 8, 1998 — Jan. 3, 1999; and the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach, Fla., Jan. 23 — April 4, 1999.

"Chrysler's sponsorship of the Angels tour is another way we are giving something back to enrich the communities 'in which we live, work and sell our products,'" Eaton said.

A scholarly catalogue, fully illustrated with color plates of all works in the tour, will ac-

company the exhibition. In addition to a history of the Vatican collection and other scholarly essays, the 321-page catalogue will contain a map of the Vatican indicating where each work of art is permanently housed.

Art Services International (ASI), based in Alexandria, Va., has organized and is circulating the Angels exhibition in addition to publishing the catalogue which accompanies it.



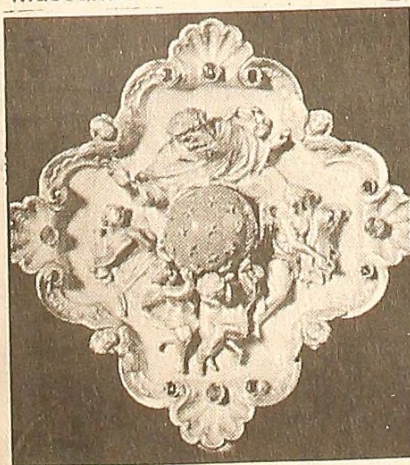
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Madonna and child with Saints Dominic and Catherine of Alexandria, Guido di Pietro, called Fra Angelico, c. 1435, tempera with gilding on wood, Vatican Museums.



Federico Fiori, called Barocci, 1582-84, oil on canvas, Vatican Museums.



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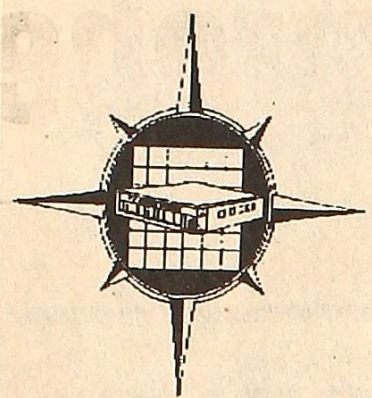
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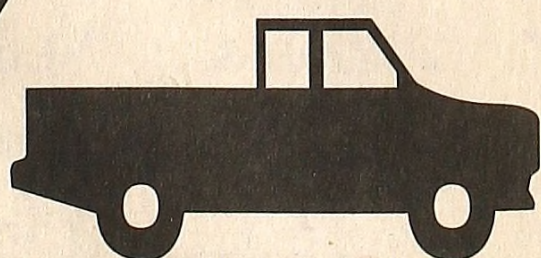
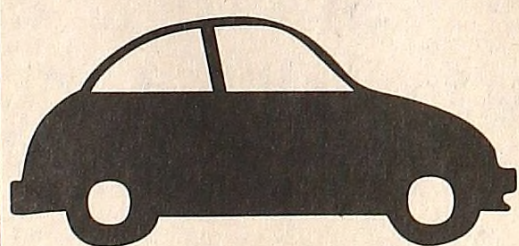
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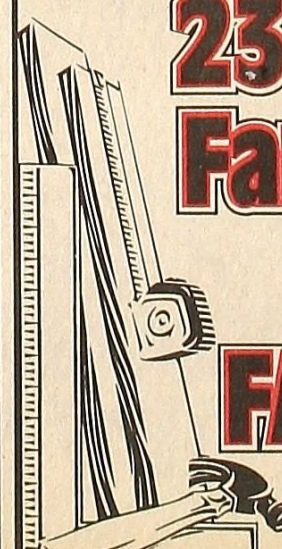
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Interviews and photos by Jim Tantalo



Rita Walton
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1) Do you think the President did anything wrong?
"Yeah. If he's guilty of that he did something wrong."
2) Do you believe that either Clinton or Lewinsky will lie under oath?
"Yes. Both of them. I think they're both lying now. I believe he had the affair, and he's going to get caught."
3) What do you think is the actual crime here?
"When he lied and said he didn't on national TV."
4) Would it be appropriate to impeach Clinton even if he tried to cover up a relationship with Lewinsky?
"Yes."
5) Are you at all interested in this investigation?
"No, I'm sick of it."
6) Why do you think the media is so obsessed with it?
"Because it just goes on, and on, and on. It's not his first time either, he admitted to this before. So if he did the other one he probably did this one too."



Paulina Parcher
Canton Target on Ford Rd.

1) Do you think the President did anything wrong?
"No, I don't. Morally, yes, because he has a wife. But for our country? No. Legally, I don't think he did anything wrong."
2) Do you believe that either Clinton or Lewinsky will lie under oath?
"Oh yes. I don't trust that they're going to tell the truth."
3) Would it be appropriate to impeach Clinton even if he tried to cover up a relationship with Lewinsky?
"I don't know. You could say yes because if he's going to lie about this he's going to lie about something bigger. Or you could say no, because it just doesn't matter to me. I mean, this is his personal life."
4) Are you at all interested in this investigation?
"No."
5) Do you think the media is obsessed with it?
"Yes."

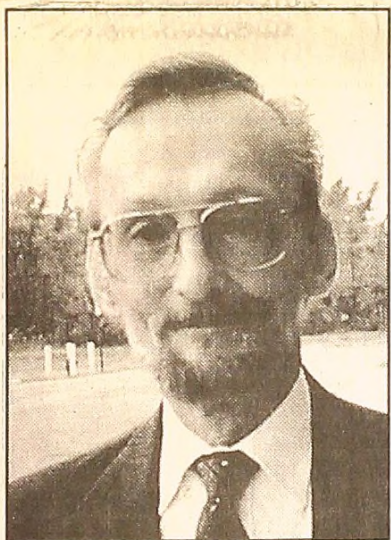


Brandi Wilson
Canton Kroger on Sheldon Rd.

1) Do you think the President did anything wrong?
"If he really cheated on his wife I do. I think that he probably did it but no one's going to find out about it."
2) Do you believe that either Clinton or Lewinsky will lie under oath?
"Yeah. i don't trust them. Why would they tell the truth?"
3) Would it be appropriate to impeach Clinton even if he tried to cover up a relationship with Lewinsky?
"I would just say let it go. It's like something that happens every day."
4) Are you at all interested in this investigation?
"No. I just think that obviously someone's jealous. If he wants to screw [are you going to print that?] her that's his business."
5) Do you think the media is obsessed with it?
"Well, I don't know. I haven't really followed it."
6) Do you think it matters at all?
"No. I don't"

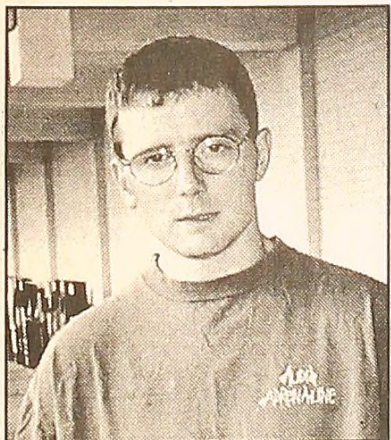
David Erashaw
Canton Target on Ford Rd.

1) Do you think the President did anything wrong?
"If he lied, yes."
2) Do you believe that either Clinton or Lewinsky will lie under oath?
"Probably."
3) Would it be appropriate to impeach Clinton even if he tried to cover up a relationship with Lewinsky?
"Yes."
4) Are you at all interested in this investigation?
"I think it's stupid."
5) Do you think the media is obsessed with it?
"Yeah, definitely."



Pete Epes
Canton Kroger on Sheldon Rd.

1) Do you think the President did anything wrong?
"Yes."
2) Do you believe that either Clinton or Lewinsky will lie under oath?
"At this point no. I trust them."
3) Would it be appropriate to impeach Clinton even if he tried to cover up a relationship with Lewinsky?
"Yes."
4) Are you at all interested in this investigation?
"Medium, I guess."
5) Do you think the media is obsessed with it?
"Oh yeah. Definitely."




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Women golfers swing for \$\$\$

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Local and area women golfers hit the golf courses over the weekend to raise funds for charities and improve their standings in their respective leagues.

Wayne's Mary Allen and Westlanders Penny Irwin and Mary Cunningham led their flights in the Women's Suburban Golf Association tournament played at the Hartland Glen Golf Course.

Allen and Livonia's Jo Anne McVicar strolled into the clubhouse with identical 63s to tie for Low Net honors in the First Flight. In that flight, Novi's Joey Kraithoff carded a 79 for the best in the Low Gross. Sandy Rivers was runners. Rivers had an 84.

Also in the first flight, Northville golfer Dolly Vetese posted a 69, the second-best Low Net score of the afternoon.

Irwin's 91 stood up for medalist honors in the Second Flight's Low Gross battle. Nine-strokes back was Dearborn Heights' Mary Ann Kraft, while Westland's Mary Cunningham shot a 67 to surface atop of the Low



Showing how it's done is Meg Mallon who offered tips throughout the day at the sixth annual Oakwood Healthcare System-Don Massey Cadillac Women's Healthcare Classic which raised more than \$260,000 for women's healthcare programs.

Net standings.

Two golfers - Jinny Valentine and Peggy Osip - each shot 68s to finish in a dead heat for second low net honors.

At the Don Massey Cadillac Women's Healthcare Classic (WHC), sponsored by Oakwood Healthcare System, women golfers raised more than \$260,000 as its annual event.

The WHC surpassed its fund-raising goal by more than \$60,000. In the six-years that the event has been staged, women golfers have raised nearly \$1 million.

"We can not express how grateful we are to the many donors, especially Don Massey Cadillac and State Farm, who contributed to

the WHC," said Jan Fitzgerald, originator and general chairman of the event. "Our donors helped make it possible to surpass our \$200,000 fund-raising goal."

"The funds will be used for women's healthcare programs in the communities Oakwood serves."

Here are the winners: Carol Zink (Dearborn); Carol Sheridan (Waterford); Lisa Dion (Sylvan Lake); and Jan Pierce (Northville). Second place awards went to: Carmel Carson (Grosse Ile); Marie Elgin (Trenton); Susie Shepherd (Allen Park); and Sheri Magiera (Lincoln Park).

Winners of the P. M. Flight at Grosse Ile Golf and

Country Club were: Kay Park, Lynn Hahn, Lee Greene and Marci Woodley - all of Grosse Ile; Second place winners include: Jennifer Martenson (Trenton); Leona Martenson (Allen Park); Barb Manns and Kelly Howey, both of Grosse Ile.

The P.M. winners at the West Shore and Country Club site were: Jenny Sherk (Dearborn); Loraine Sherk (Troy); Catherine Gillespie (Bloomfield Hills) and Karen Kearns (Birmingham).

Second place winners included: Mary Ellen Hogan-Darish and Laurie Graff, both of the city of Northville; Shelly Vogelsberg (Milford); and Maureen Fagin, South Lyon.

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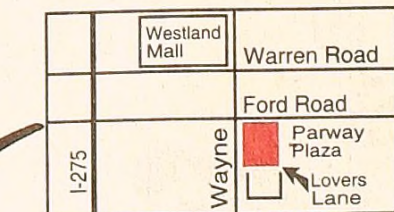


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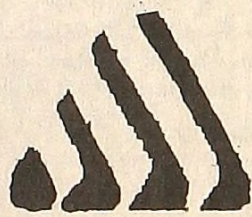


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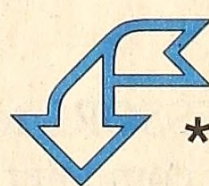
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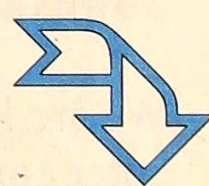
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Introducing Twisters football

By J. GLENN BROTHERS
MCN Special Writer

The Wayne County Twisters football team is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the support and development of our community's youth by providing a highly structured competitive and controlled forum in which our young men can compete in the sport of football after high school or college graduation.

The young men on our team are high caliber players, who have displayed their athletic talents in front of thousands of area fans during their high school and college careers for the benefit and entertainment of their communities and schools for which they played. These young men and other organization members are volunteers, freely donating their time and talents to promote and foster amateur sports on local, national and international levels.

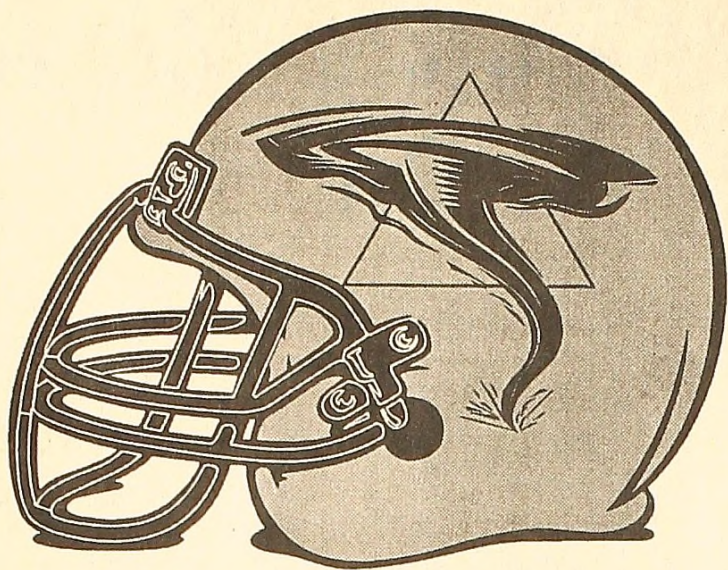
Basically, this is Wayne County Twister's "Articles of Incorporation" as a registered organization with the Federal Government and the States of Michigan and Ohio. We are authorized to function as a nonprofit. Therefore, revenues in excess of expenses are donated to public organizations and school activities that benefit and support charitable programs in our communities.

Twister players purchase and supply their own certified equipment necessary to compete and have signed the required, "Lake Shore Football League Player Registration and Waiver of Liability Form." The purpose of this requirement is to indemnify any institution or persons of any and all liability associated with the practice, game play and associated activities. This requirement is mandatory for participating players.

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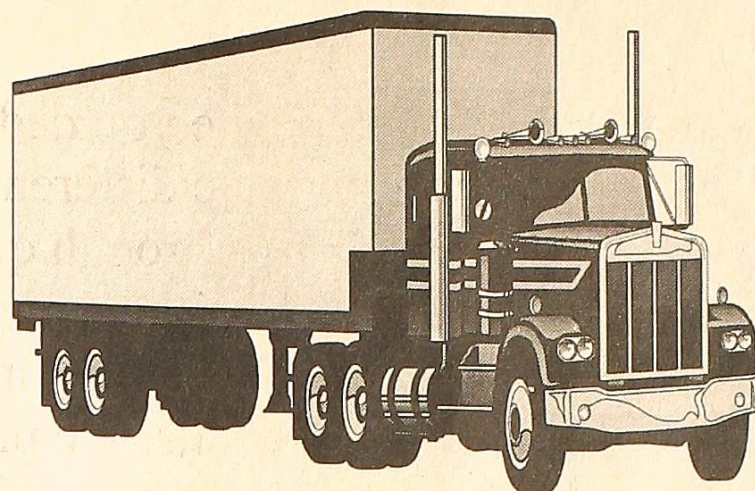
approach is proven to be very effective in the control of player conduct during the heat of spirited competition.

Our young men for the most part, have attended local and surrounding neighborhood high schools and colleges. They have been born, raised, educated and either reside in or work in our local and surrounding communities.

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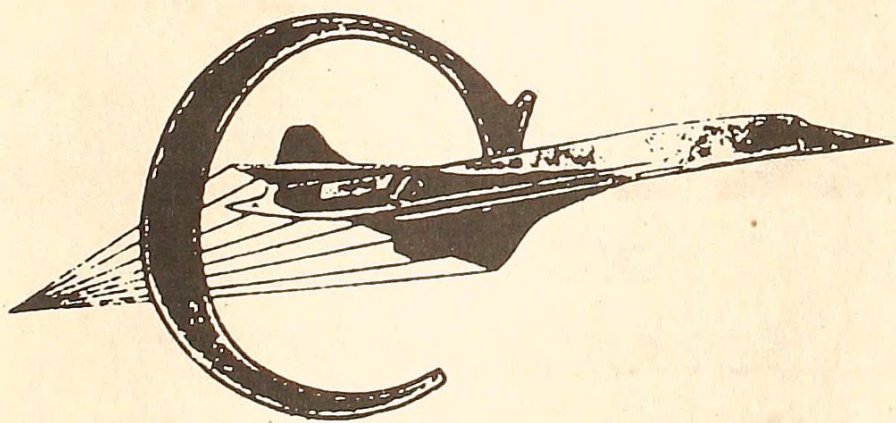
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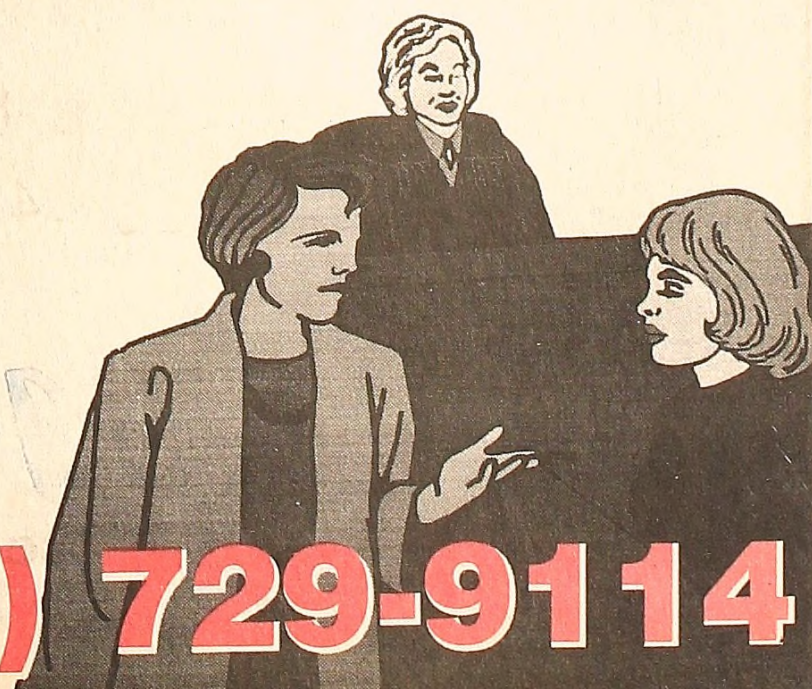
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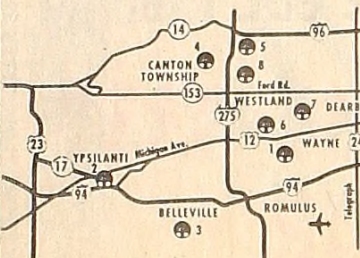
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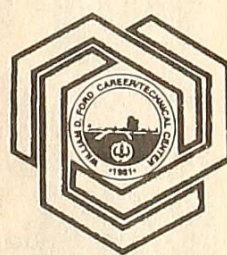
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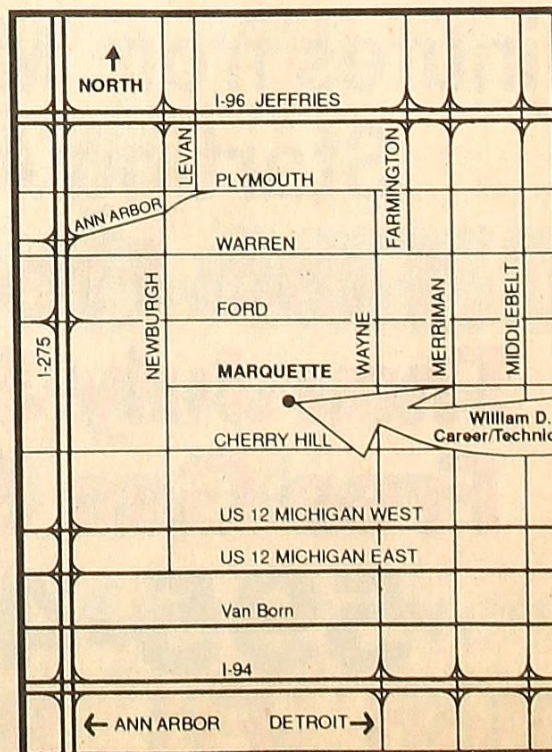
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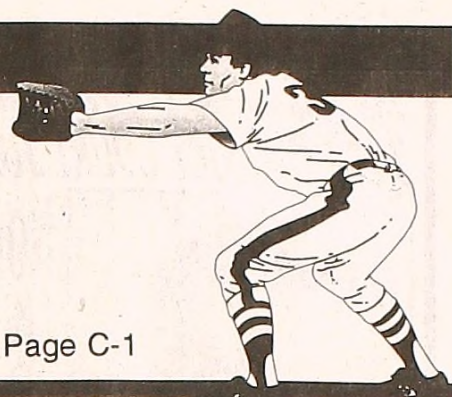




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SPORTS

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Morton overcomes shaky start to retain title

Clark claims Women's Division golf crown

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

There is no reason, no explanation, and surely it wasn't pure luck.

But, just when challengers Gary Beer and Paul Massimilla thought they had defending champ Mark Morton up against the rope and down, the champ came back.

And as Morton swung back in the final round, Beer and Massimilla went down for the count.

Morton, off to a shaky start in the opening round of the 1998 City Championship Golf Tournament rallied on Sunday in the second round and played the only sub-par round of the tournament to retain the overall title and post a rare "tripeat" at the 1998 summer classic staged under a cloudless sky, that produced tem-

peratures in the 80s.

Morton strung together rounds of 76-70 for the 36-hole, two-day tournament at Woodlands of Van Buren for a 146 total. He posted an incredible 15-stroke victory over his closest rivals, Beer and Bill Hawley, who came into the clubhouse with identical 161s.

"It was nearly a rerun of the 1997 tournament," said Jeff Rutter, tournament director. "Mark had a lot of problems the opening day on the front hole, as he did a year ago, and finished the round with a 76," Rutter said. "In the finals, he played sub-par golf while his closest competitors faded in the sunset."

Morton, who has captured the last three versions of the tournament, suffered early through the bad karma as he tried to find his game. There was a pair of bogeys on the

front nine in the preliminary rounds that could of - but didn't come back - to haunt him.

A 77 for the first 18 kept the champ in the hunt.

In the meantime, Beer, a senior golfer, who had an exceptional first-round, tied Massimilla, from Canton Township, for the lead as the two finished with 75s.

Neither Beer or Massimilla remained a factor in the finals: Beer shot an 86 for a 161 total for the two-days, while Massimilla was no better as he came in with an 87 and also finished with a 161.

Massimilla's 162 total and Beer's 161, however, did give them the Canton and Open Senior Flight titles, respectively.

There really were no breath-holding holes in this one during the final round. And the surprises faded after

the first day shock.

In the meantime, with Morton's move from Wayne to Westland, Keith Kiesnowski took advantage of the void and filled it with a 155 (77-78) to win his first city of Wayne championship. That championship earned the young golfer not only a first-place trophy but also the Lenny Anderson Memorial Trophy.

The Anderson Trophy is presented by the Wayne Police Department to the Wayne champ. The memorial is in honor of Patrolman Anderson, the first and only Wayne police officer to be slain in the line of duty.

Kiesnowski found himself tied with Dick Pulk after the first round. Both finished with 77s, but as Kiesnowski managed to come back the next day

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Cherie Clark and Mark Morton (pictured above) survived the heat and humidity at Woodlands to post easy victories at the City Championship Golf Tournament. Morton came back from a shaky first-round to win his third successive title.

Hoop legends attract 200 kids to camp

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

They came from near and afar to get a glimpse at some of the best basketball players - past and present - in the world.

Future stars from Westland John Glenn, Livonia Churchill Robichaud and Inkster High gathered at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex in the city of Inkster last week to learn the game from the best.

"Would you believe we had more than 200 kids show up for the camp?" said Fred Smiley, a former All-American who managed to convince some of Inkster's greatest to put on the one-day basketball camp.

The camp was open to boys and girls, ages 8 to 15, who were offered a rare opportunity to learn the fundamentals of the game from such notable world-class players as Barry Hardy, presently with the Harlem Globetrotters; Chester Hicks, former Globetrotter; Eartha Faust, All-American who led Vincennes to a national championship before going on to star at West Virginia University.

Others who were on hand to help the young players were Richard Walker, assistant coach at Iowa University; Victor Diehl, Duane Fox, Woodell Payne, Albert White, Williams Springer, Anthony White, Warren Woods, Keith Merritt and Montie Dennard.

"The purpose of this camp was to focus on basketball fundamentals and skills but we also needed to stress to these

Would you believe we had more than 200 kids show up for the camp?

- Fred Smiley

kids the importance of staying in school and putting your school work first," said Smiley.

Smiley stressed that the important issues, that of, staying in the classroom and earning a high school diploma must be the top priority if one is to succeed in life.

"And basketball skills, specifically, and athletics, in general, may be used as the foundation for discipline. You're not going to go far on the road of life without it," Smiley pointed out.

The 51-year-old Smiley came up with the idea for the *Inkster Legends Basketball Camp* because, he said, "we wanted to give something back to the community that we were all raised in."

The participants got a glimpse at what it's like to play like a pro. They were offered tips on how to shoot, dribble, pass and also some of the finer points of defense.

It wasn't all work, either. Thanks to sponsors, the participants were presented a wide range of items, including T-Shirts, tennis balls (to learn

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While Westland's Mark Morton was busy wrapping up his third consecutive City Championship Golf title, a field of about 80 amateur golfers waged their own battles to qualify for the state recreation finals and trophies. In Westland's First Flight, Evan Chall (above photo, center) shot a 161 to edge Matt Snow by two strokes to claim the first place trophy for the division. Snow (at right) was runnerup, while Ken Liedel settled for the third place trophy. In the hunt for first place in the Open Women's Division, Bea Sikora's 188 led the field. Sikora (standing with trophy at the right, in photo at the left) beat Mary Lou Gooden (center) for the first place trophy. Brenda Walker finished third.

Rockets are looking for runners

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn's Jess Shough, the dean of the area high school cross country coaches, is seeking prospective candidates the 1998 team.

Shough has fielded several title contenders in the Western Lakes Conference, and this season will not be an exception, according to the veteran coach.

"We are looking for interested runners, particularly ninth and 10th graders," said Shough, who held an organizational meeting on Monday in preparation of the season opener which is slated for Aug. 25.

For the first time in recent years, Glenn has more invitational cross country meets scheduled than it does dual meets.

On the 25th, the Rockets will compete in a quad which will include teams from Howell,

Ann Arbor Huron and East Lansing.

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an excellent overview on what to expect of his team in the conference this season.

Then, Westlanders have invitational engagements at Dearborn High (Oct. 12); Ypsilanti (Oct. 15); Holly (Oct. 19); the Shamrock Invitational (Oct. 26), at in Alpena (Oct. 3).

The Western League Activities Association will hold its WLAA Conference championships on Oct. 23.

For more information about

the team and tryouts, contact Coach Shough at (734) 729-4720.

In the meantime, John Glenn golfers who plan to compete for the Rockets have tryouts scheduled for 12:30 p.m. today (Aug. 13) at Fellows Creek Golf Course on Lotz Road in Canton Township.

Coached by Dan Burtka, the Rockets begin the season on Aug. 20 at the Plymouth Best-ball Tournament. On Friday, Aug. 21, Burtka will take his squad to the Pinckney Invitational where some 20 teams are expected to compete for the title.

Glenn is among the pre-season favorites to capture the 1998 WLAA title.

Ex-Romulus baseball coach to be honored by alumni

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Longtime Romulus High baseball coach Don Foley will be honored during pre-game ceremonies of the annual Romulus High Alumni All-Star Baseball Game.

"Coach Foley has taught the game of baseball to many, including myself. Some of us thought it was time to pay tribute to a coach who has done so much for the program here at the high school and for us," said Keith Brothers, who was recently named to succeed Foley as the head coach.

Brothers also noted that the annual Alumni Baseball Game, a fundraiser for the high school baseball program, was Foley's idea and was star-



Don Foley

ted by the former coach about six years ago.

Foley stepped down as head coach after the 1998 season in order to spend more time with his family. During his long tenure as a varsity and junior varsity coach, Foley has produced some outstanding teams and talents.

He was named as the *Michigan Community Newspapers' Coach of the Year* in 1997.

The 1998 Alumni Game will be staged at noon on Oct. 10 at the high school. Former Romulus ball players who wish to participate in the tribute to coach Foley are urged to contact Keith Brothers at the Romulus Parks and Recreation Department.

Brothers can be reached by dialing 734-942-6852.



In their time they were (and are) considered some of the finest players who ever played basketball. They are Chester Hicks (first row, from left), Warren Woods, William Springer, and Fred Smiley; second row are Woodell Payne, Anthony White, Richard Walker, Victor Diehl, Duane Fox, Albert White, and Eartha Faust. Not available at the time of the photo but also contributing to the Legends' basketball camp were Darryl Green and Monte Dennard.

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how to dribble) and they also had an opportunity to get autographs of the Legends.

And, there was food. Lots of it.

The participants were treated to various fruits (for breakfast). For lunch, there was a menu that included ribs, hamburgers, hot dogs, a soda and much more the sponsors including the Inkster Police Auxiliary and Alliant Foodservice, Danny's Market and many others.

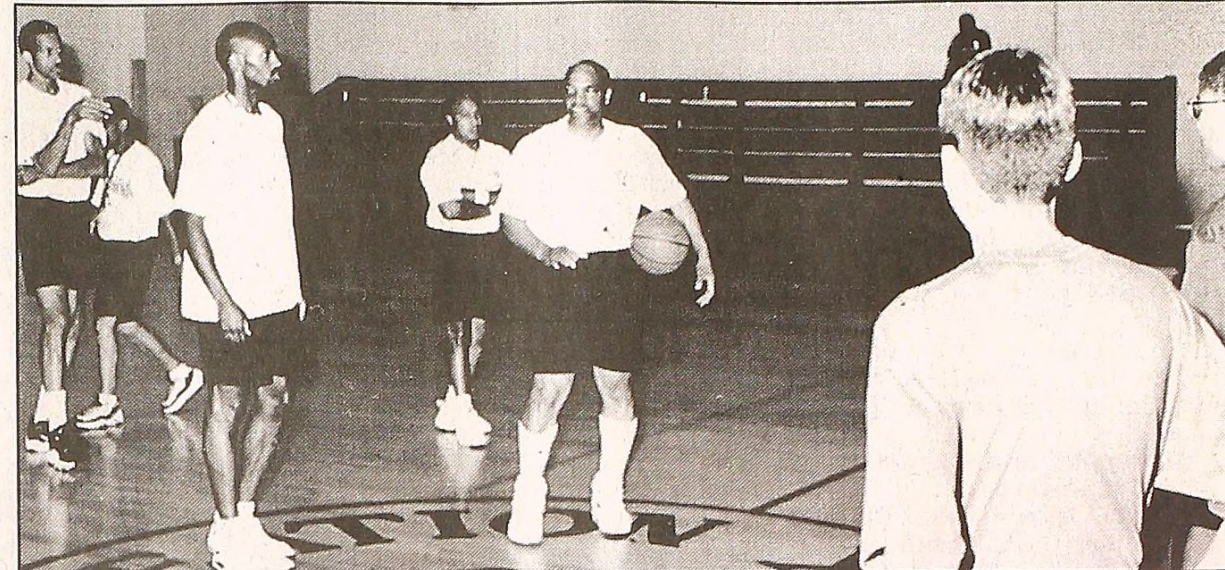
Parks Athletics supplied the T-shirts that quickly became a "hot item" for the kids because it was an attractive as well as a first-time event, Smiley noted.

The former Northwood star also said that the "Legends" may be expanded next year to a three or four-day event.

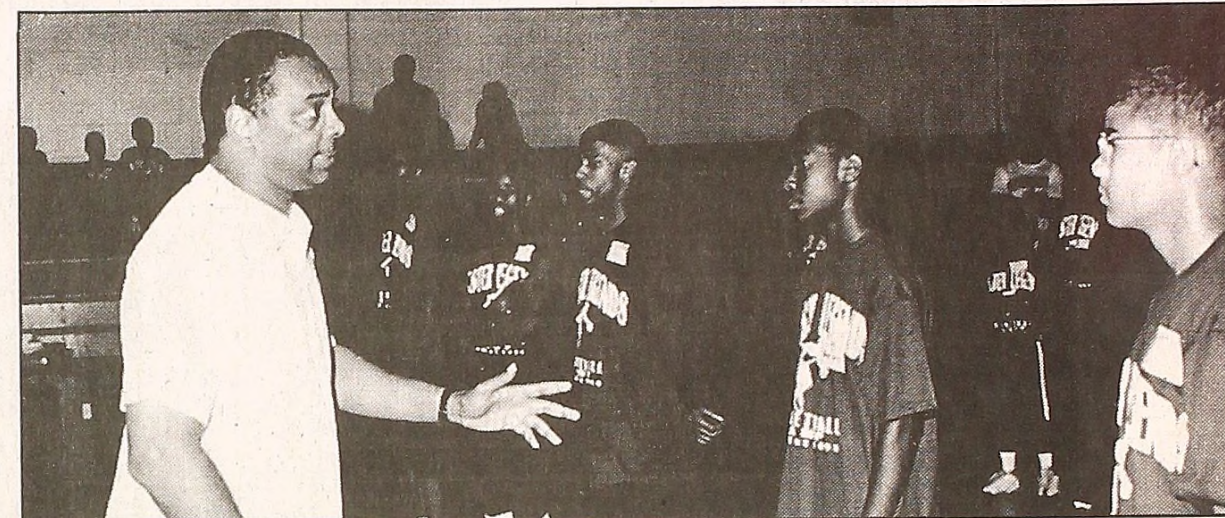
"We're working on it," Smiley said. "Some of the guys said that if they can arrange their schedules, they would be happy to take part next year."



Duane Fox, former Inkster High All-Stater, shows some defensive moves to a group of players who participated in the inaugural Legends' Camp, while Globetrotter Barry Hardy watches.



Former All-American guard Fred Smiley (with ball), along with Globetrotters Barry Hardy, (at left) Chester Hicks and Victor Diehl (in the background) map out drills for camp participants.



Rich Walker, assistant coach at Iowa University, had a message for the youngsters who attended the camp - stay in school, and off of drugs.

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for a 78, Pulk could do no better than an 83 and finished third behind Gary Clark, who also had a 160 but beat Pulk in a "sudden-death" playoff.

Another Clark, Cherie, whipped the field to win the women's division title. Clark toured the Woodlands course on the first day with a 90 and came back to post a 91 in the final round for a nine-stroke victory over runner-up, Sandy Felan, who finished the tourney with a 190.

The summer classic is sponsored by the parks and recreation departments of the participating cities of Wayne, Westland, Canton Township and the top five finishers in the championship flights qualify for the Michigan Parks and Recreation's state tournament.

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Blight charges dropped against master gardener

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

We'll never know if the loco-weeds were in Walter Warren's Norwayne yard or in the Westland ordinance officer's imagination because blight charges against the master gardener were thrown out of court last week. Plants from the garden won 33 ribbons at last year's Michigan State Fair, including the blue ribbon for "best of show."

At a quick Aug. 6 hearing in the 18th District Court in Westland, Judge Gail McKnight dismissed yard blight charges against Warren.

McKnight ruled that Warren had not been properly served with notices by the city's ordinance inspectors.

"I would have liked to kick some butts on the case's merits, but the judge had no choice but to dismiss the case... given the city prosecutor's strained and somewhat goofy

case," Warren later said.

Warren said that he had been improperly charged and arrested on a violation of the city's blight ordinance without being properly notified of the violation or given time to remove it.

Warren had hoped to prove that his prize-winning grapevines and gourd plants were not weeds, and that the blight charges against him were most likely the result of selective enforcement.

At a recent city council meeting, Mayor Bob Thomas defended the inspector who ticketed Warren, and broadcast pictures of Warren's yard on public cable television.

Warren was upset because he was not only ticketed, but handcuffed and arrested in front of neighbors and jailed with criminals.

Previously he demanded an apology for the "false arrest" from the council and Mayor Thomas. When it wasn't ten-

dered, he threatened to sue, but he's not too eager to go back to court.

"I just want to get on with my life and get the hell out of Westland," he said. "I probably won't file a claim until I move to Caro."

He plans to spend his last days in the city cultivating new varieties of "oddball" tomatoes to enter in this year's state fair.

"This year I'm entering under my Caro address," he said. "I'm through with Westland."

Before going to press, we spoke with Westland Prosecutor Mark McConnell, who said his case was anything but "strained and somewhat goofy." He said he had pictures that showed the blight.

Will the city properly re-serve Warren and try the case?

No, said McConnell; adding, "I'm led to believe that the problem is taken care of."



Walter Warren in Garden of Contention.

Pedaler robbed of mountain bike

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

Pedal power wasn't enough to save a Westland boy from a pack of bike thieves.

On July 27, the boy pedaled his 20-inch Rock Climber mountain bike to the corner of Hanover and Admiral, where he encountered a pack of youths riding their bicycles at about 5 p.m.

As the pack passed by, a teen who had been riding on the carrier of another youth's bicycle grabbed the boy's right wrist and forced him off his bike.

The youth, who wore a red wave cap, jumped off the carrier and onto the boy's mountain bike. Then he road away.

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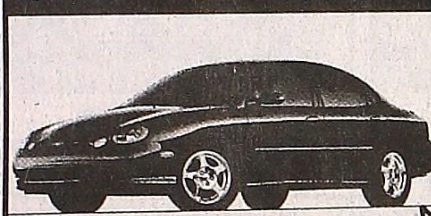
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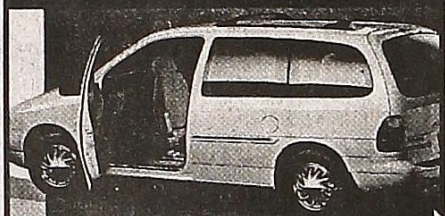
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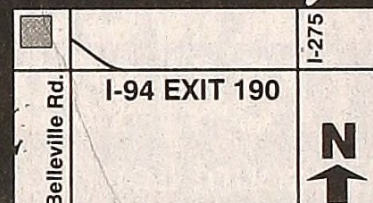
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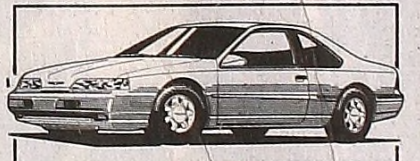
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